



CITY OF NEW ORLEANS
Murders and Non-Fatal Shootings

2015 3rd Quarter Report

2015 3rd Quarter Overview

- **There were 40 murders in the 3rd Quarter (avg. 13.3 per month)**
 - Murders were down 7% (-3) under 3rd Quarter 2014
 - With 10 murders, the 7th District had the most murders
 - Little Woods, in the 7th District, had the most murders of any neighborhood (5)
 - 23% (9) of the murders were cleared within the 3rd Quarter
- **There were 10 murder victims within the NOLA FOR LIFE target group (African-American male age 16-24) (25%)**
- **There were 85 non-fatal shooting victims in the 3rd Quarter (avg. 28.3 per month)**
 - There was no change in non-fatal shootings over 3rd Quarter 2014
 - With 19 non-fatal shootings, the 6th District had the most non-fatal shootings
 - Central City, in the 6th District, had the most non-fatal shootings of any neighborhood (15)
 - 26% (22) of the non-fatal shootings were cleared within the 3rd Quarter
- **There were 34 non-fatal shooting victims within the NOLA FOR LIFE target group (African-American male age 16-24) (34%)**

Target Neighborhoods Include: Behrman Area, Central City, Little Woods, and St. Roch Area.



2015 3rd Quarter Overview Continued

Summary of Murders

- Majority of murder victims were African-American males (85%)
- The average age of a murder victim was 31 years old
- Murder victims were more likely to be killed in a public space (70%) and were more likely to be in relation to an argument (55%)
- A handgun was the most commonly used weapon in a murder (70%)
- Arrested murder suspects were exclusively African-American males (100%)
- The average age of an arrested murder suspect was 25 years old

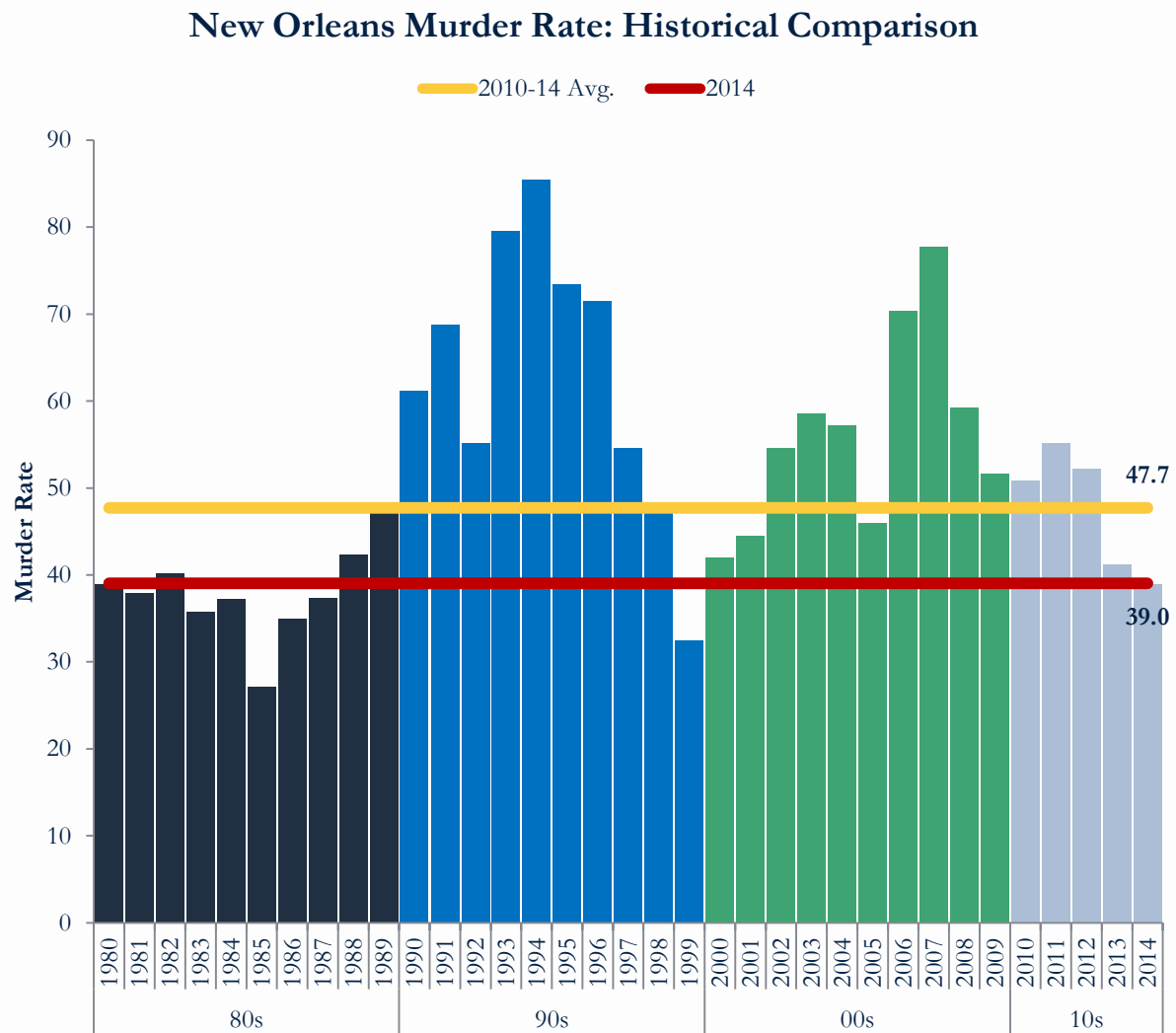
Summary of Non-fatal Shootings

- Majority of non-fatal shooting victims were African-American males (75%)
- The average age of a non-fatal shooting victim was 29 years old
- Non-fatal shooting victims were more likely to be shot in a public space (68%) and were equally likely to be drug related or the result of a retaliation or feud (21%)
- A handgun was the most commonly used firearm in a non-fatal shooting (76%)
- Arrested non-fatal shooting suspects were commonly African-American males (85%)
- The average age of an arrested non-fatal shooting suspect was 26 years old



Historical Murder Trend

- In 2014, New Orleans' murder rate was at its lowest point since 1999
- New Orleans murder rate was almost 20 points lower in 2014 (39.0) than it was a decade ago in 2004 (57.2)
- The average New Orleans murder rate since 2010 was more than 44% lower than it was two decades ago in 1994 (85.5)
- Since 2010, the average murder rate has been 4.6 points lower than the average murder rate from 1980 to 2009 (47.7 versus 52.3)

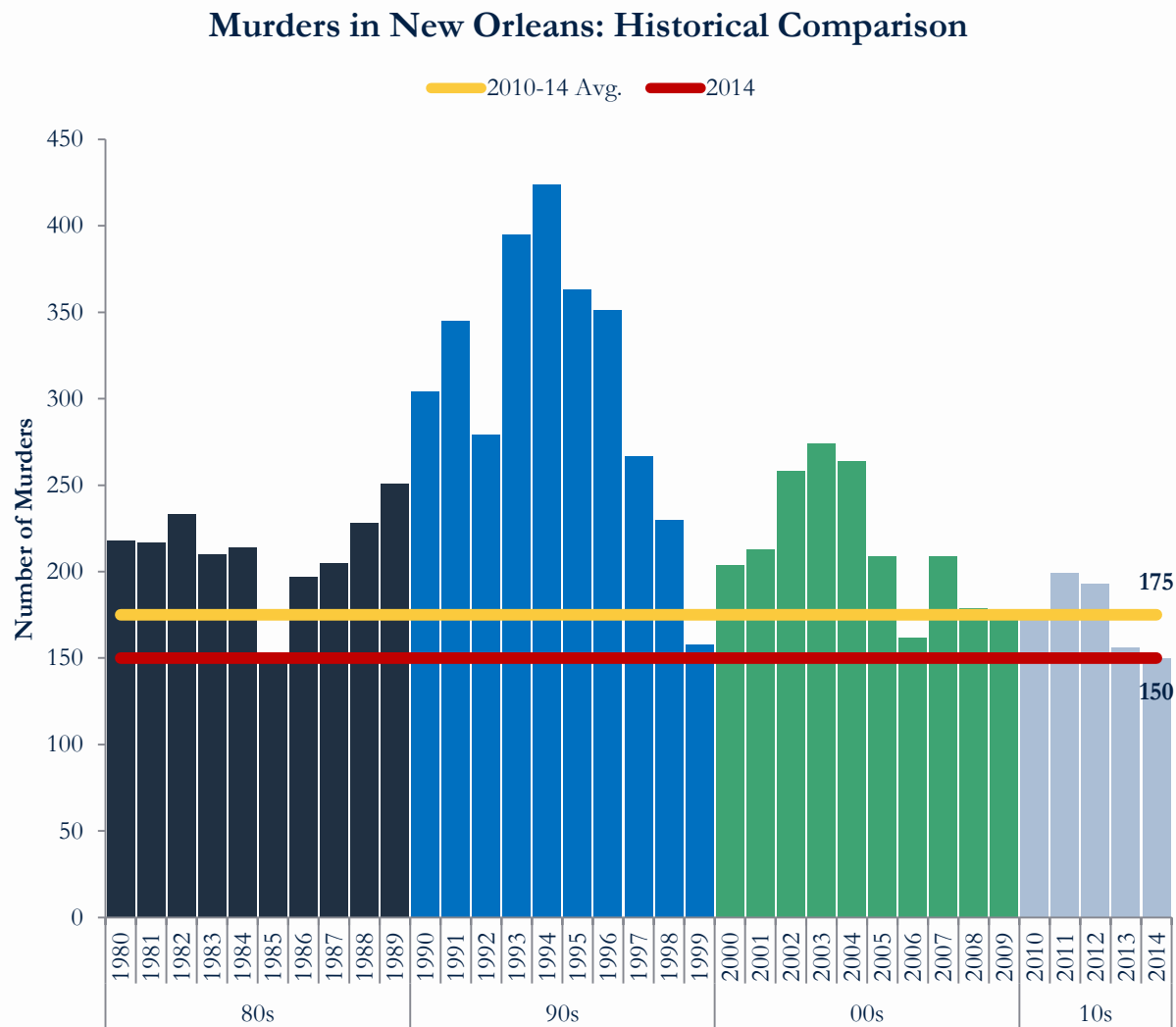


Average Murder Rate by Decade: 1980s – 37.9; 1990s – 63; 2000s – 56.2; 2010s – 47.7



Historical Murder Trend

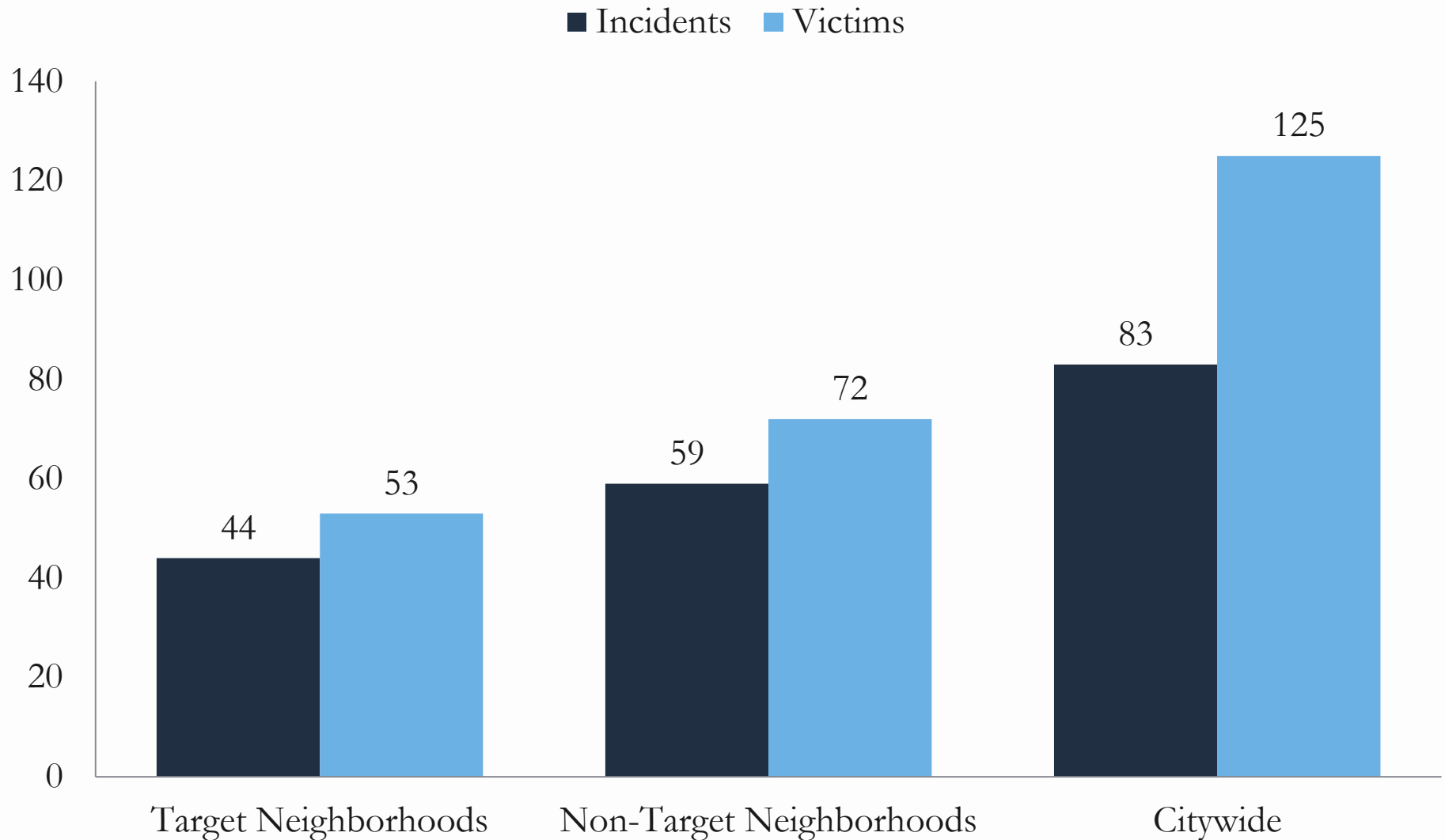
- In 2014, New Orleans experienced the lowest number of murders in 43 years (150)
- Compared to an average of the previous 10 years, New Orleans saw a 21.9% reduction in murder in 2014 compared to the previous 10 year average (2004-2013: 192)
- On average, 2010-14 has seen 33% fewer murders per year compared to the two decades prior (1989-2009: 263)
- Since 2010, the average murder count (175) is 29% lower than the yearly average murder count from 1980 to 2009 (246)



Average Murder Count by Decade: 1980s – 212.5; 1990s – 311.6; 2000s – 214.6; 2010s – 174.6



Murders and Non-Fatal Shootings –3rd Quarter



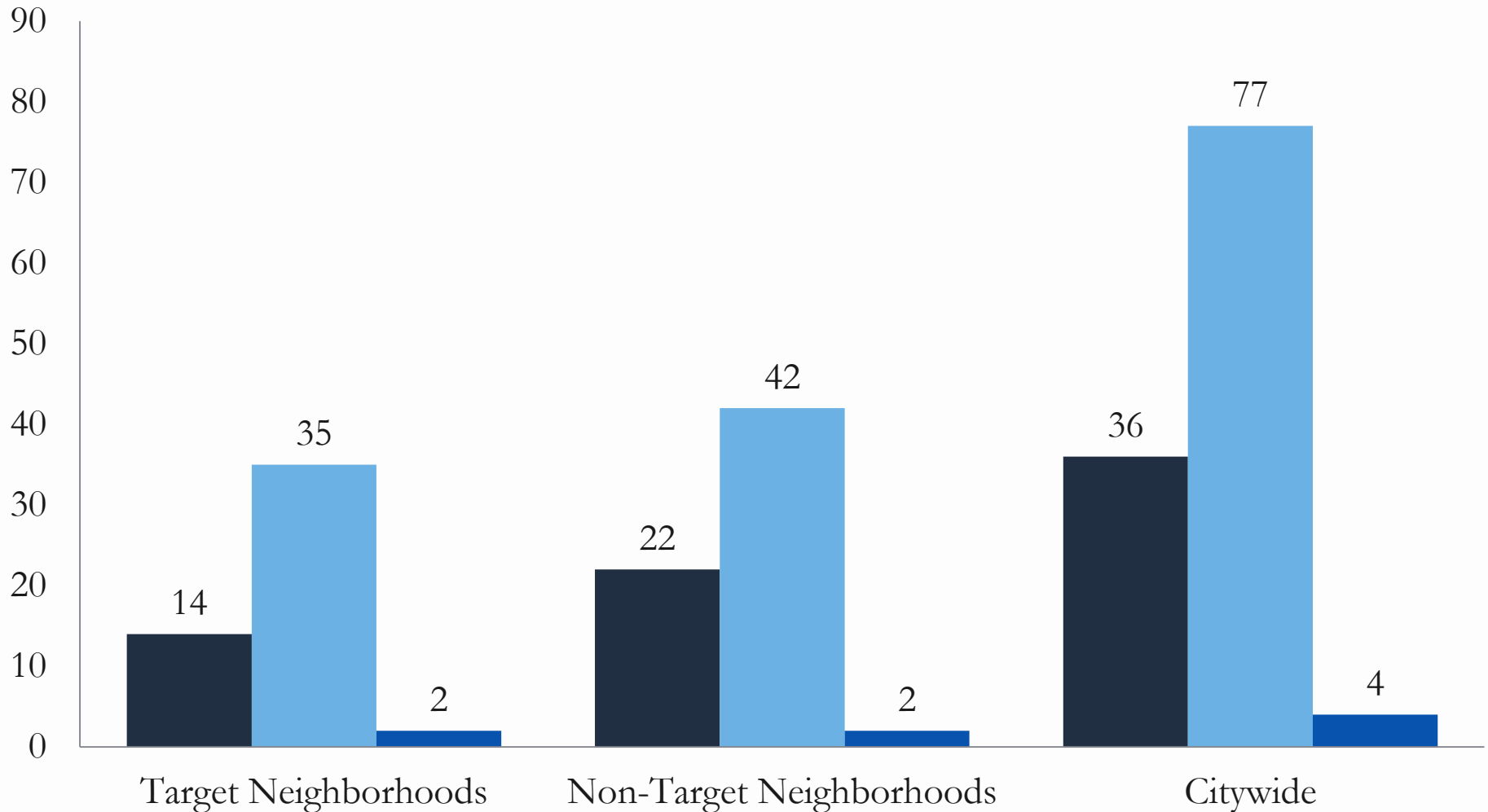
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Target Neighborhoods Include: Behrman Area, Central City, Little Woods, and St. Roch Area.

Incidents by Type

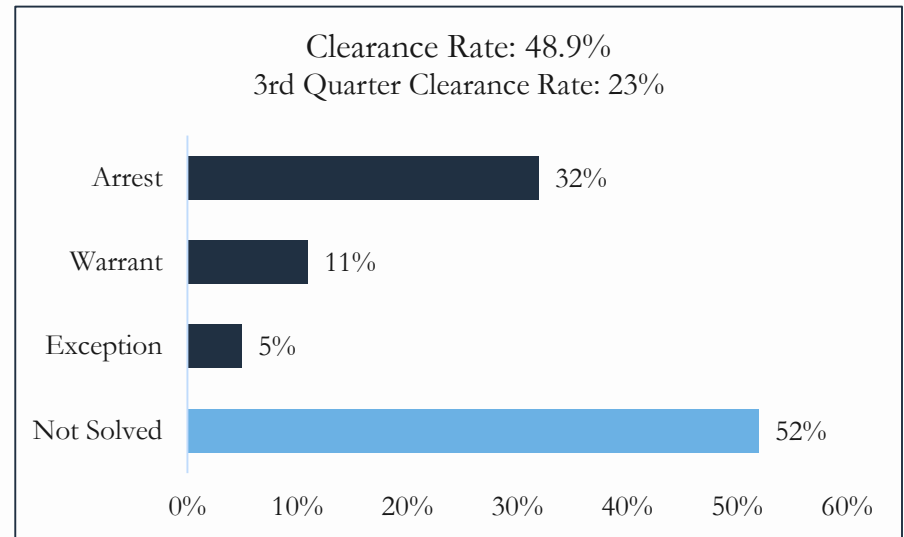
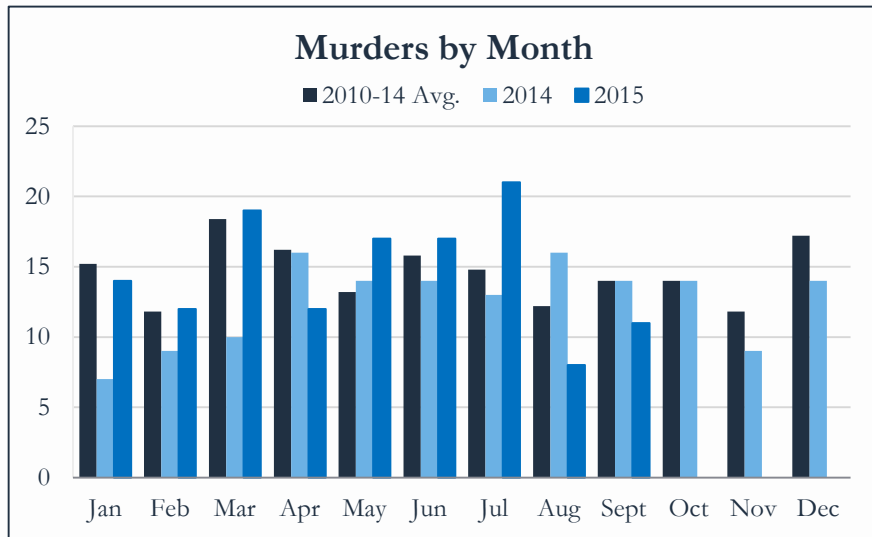
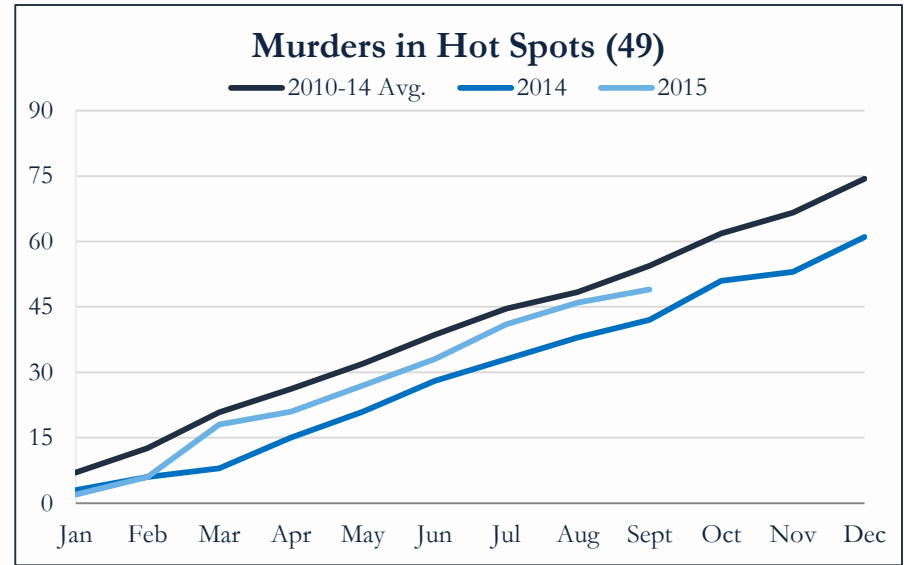
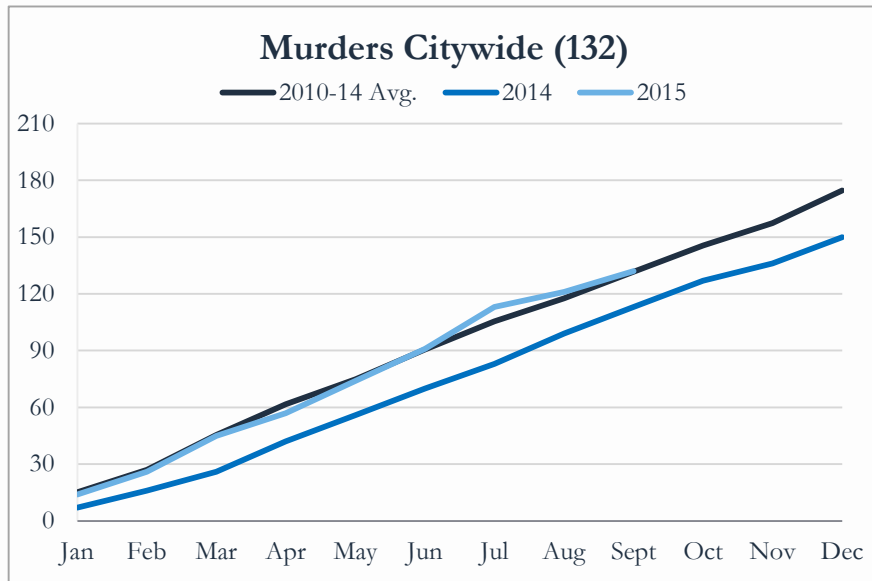
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Murder Trends

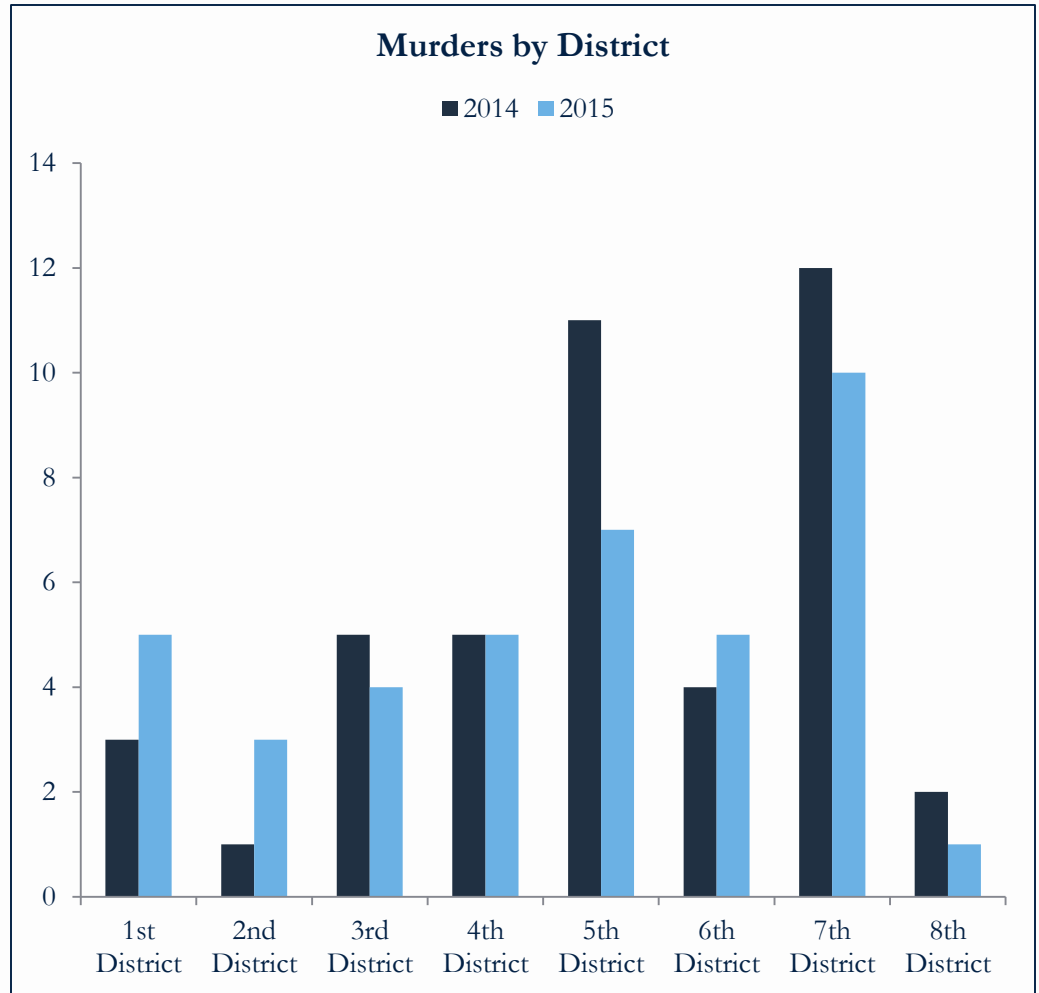


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Murders by District

- The 3rd, 5th, 7th, and 8th Districts saw a decrease in murders under the 3rd Quarter 2014
- The 5th District experienced the largest decrease in murders under the 3rd Quarter 2014 (-36%; -4)

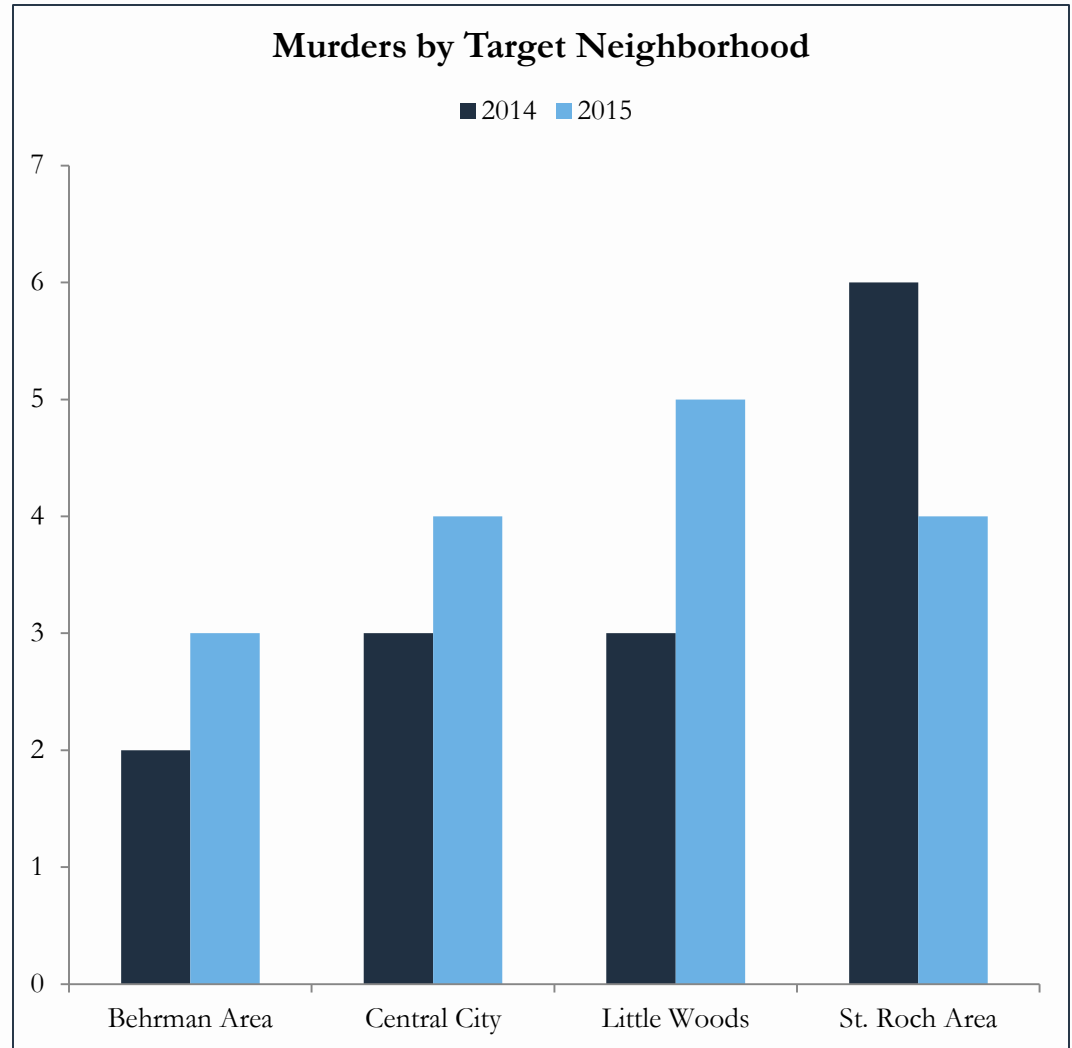


Target Neighborhoods are located in the 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th Districts.



Murders by Target Neighborhood

- The St. Roch Area was the only Target Neighborhood that saw a reduction in murders under the 3rd Quarter 2014 (-33%; -2)



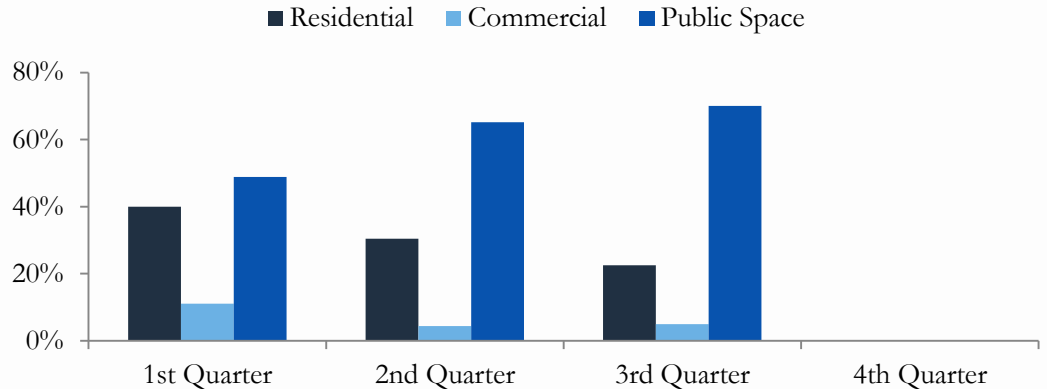
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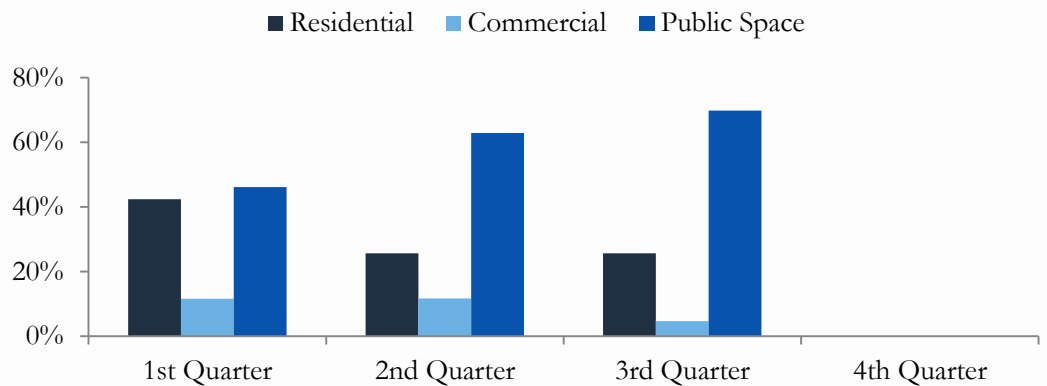
Murder Trends

- There was no significant difference in murder locales in the 3rd Quarter between 2014 and 2015
- The majority of murders were committed in a public space
- Murders have occurred least in commercial locations
- Murders in residential locations have steadily declined in 2015 since the 1st Quarter

Murders by Type of Location, 2015



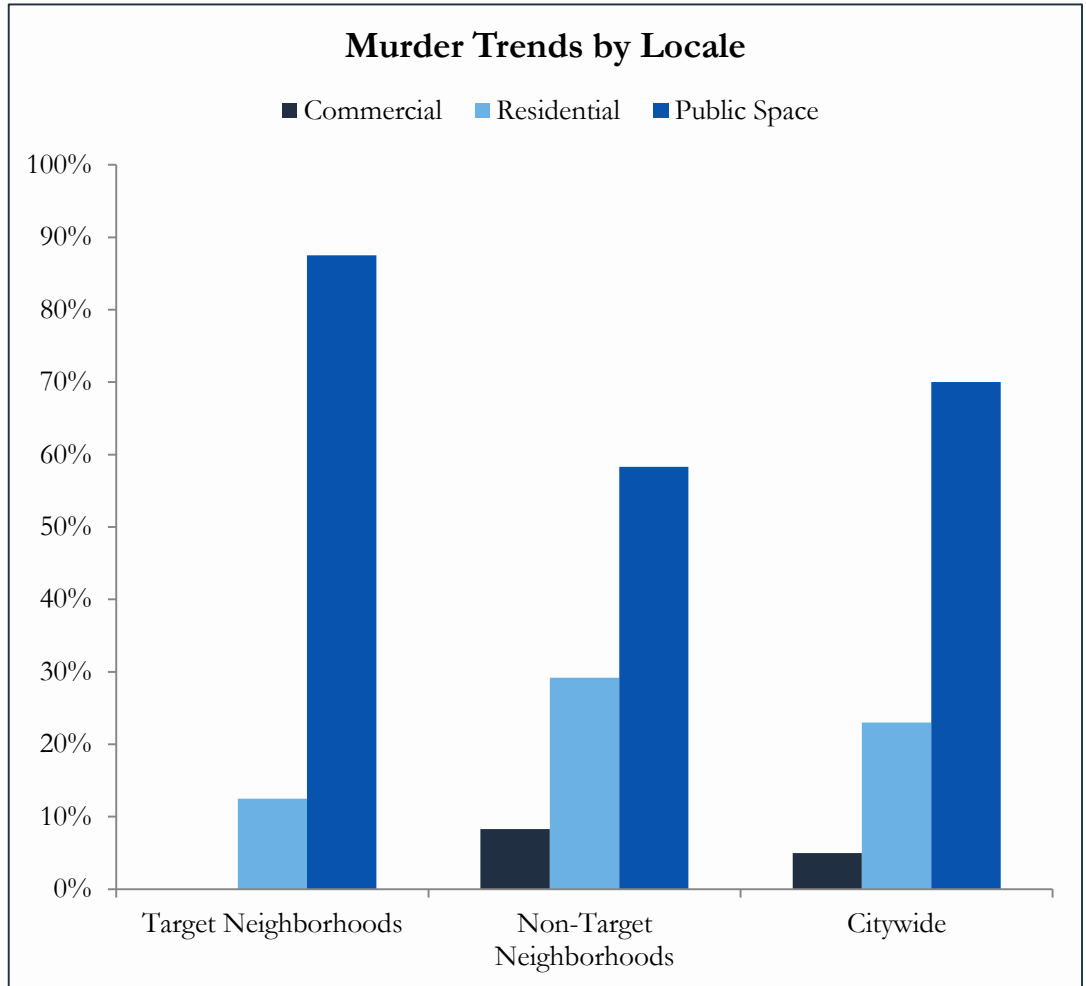
Murder by Type of Location, 2014



Murder Trends

By Target Neighborhoods, Non-Target Neighborhoods, and Citywide, 2015

- Murder victims were more likely to be killed in a public space than any other location in both Target and Non-Target Neighborhoods
- Almost 90% of murders in Target Neighborhoods occurred in a public space (approximately +30 percentage points higher than the Non-Target Neighborhoods)
- Only Non-Target Neighborhoods recorded a murder in a commercial location in the 3rd Quarter



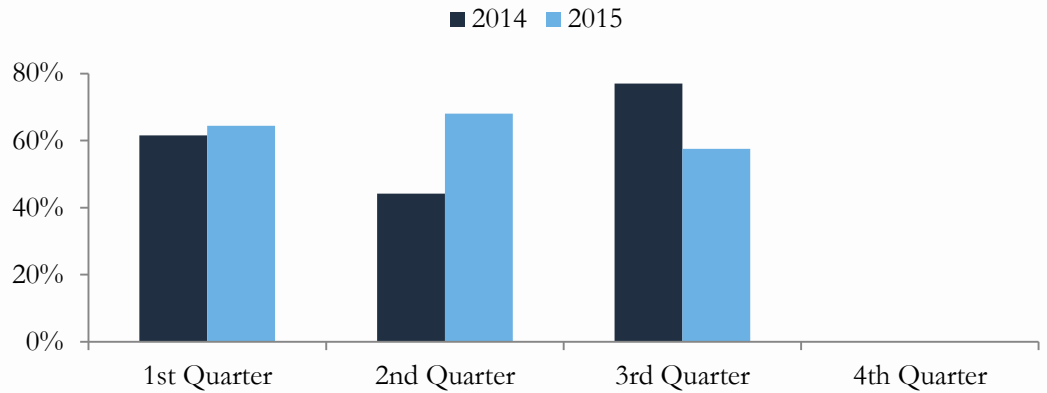
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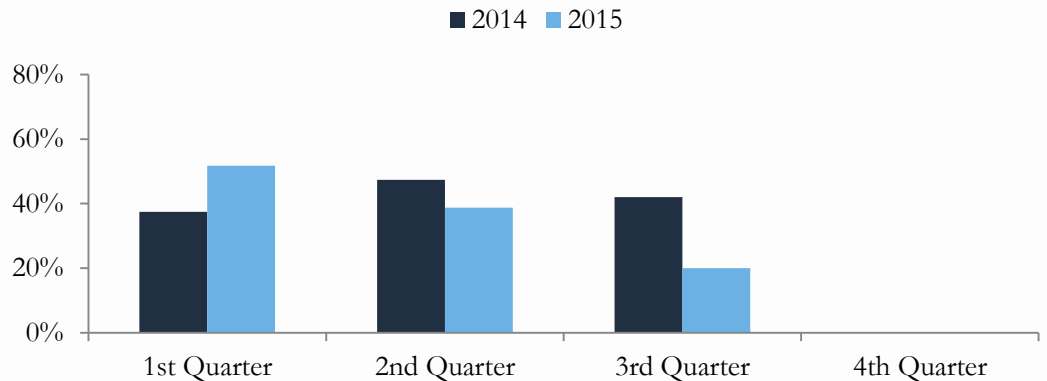
Murder Trends

- Murder victims were less likely to die at the scene in 3rd Quarter 2015 compared to both 2nd Quarter 2015 (-10 percentage points) and 3rd Quarter 2014 (-19 percentage points)
- Murder victims were less likely to die at the scene from GSWs to the head in 3rd Quarter 2015 compared to both 2nd Quarter 2015 (-19 percentage points) and 3rd Quarter 2014 (-22 percentage points)

Percent of All Murder Victims that Die at the Scene



Percent of Murder Victims that Died at the Scene with a GSW to the Head



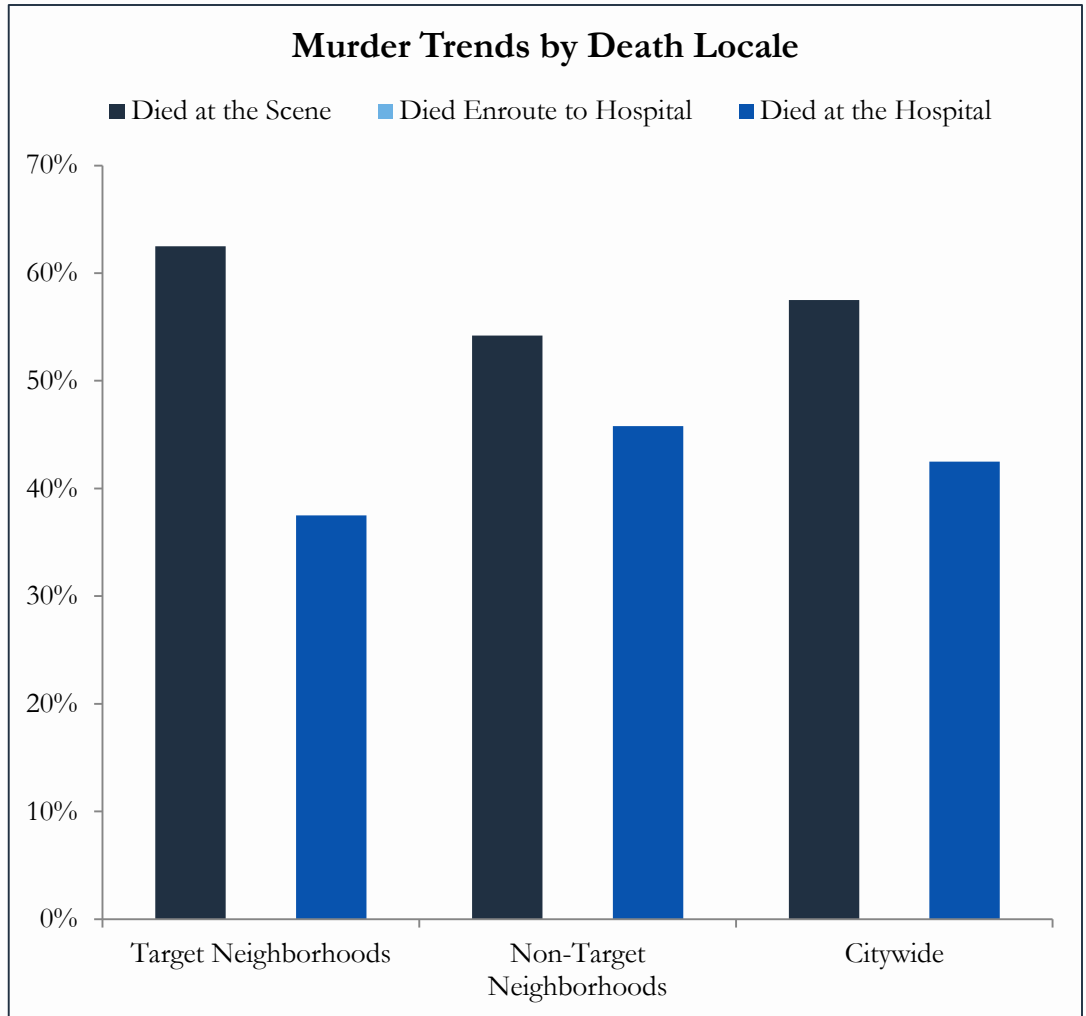
Note: GSW - Gunshot wound



Murder Trends

By Target Neighborhoods, Non-Target Neighborhoods, and Citywide, 2015

- Murder victims in Target neighborhoods were a little more likely to die at the scene of an incident than Non-Target Neighborhoods in the 3rd Quarter
- No murder victim in the 3rd Quarter died enroute to the hospital



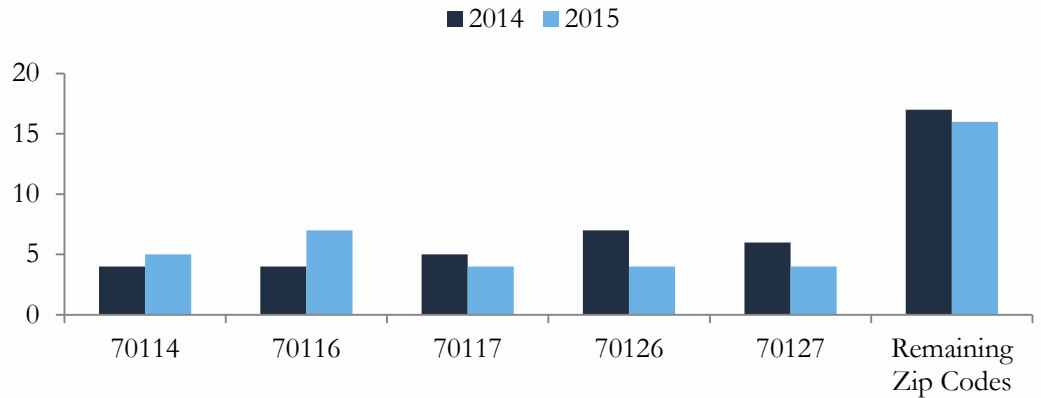
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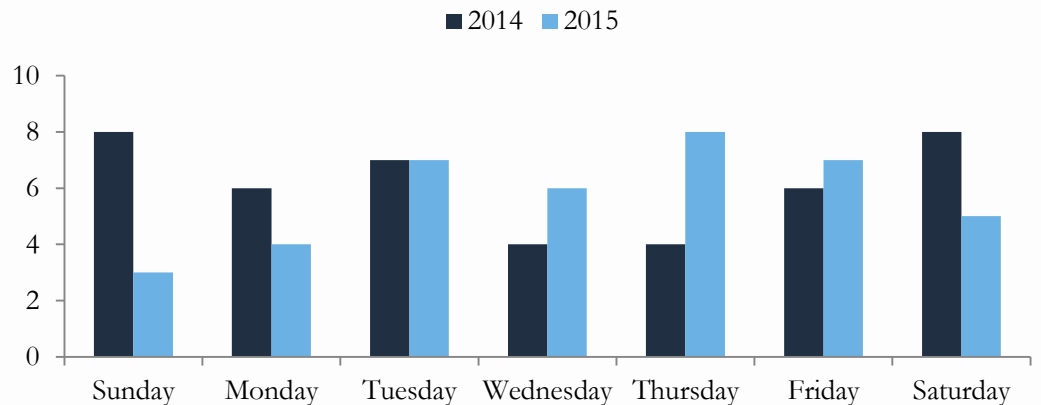
Murder Trends

- Sixty percent of all murders occurred in 5 zip codes (27% of the City's population)
- Only 2 zip codes had 5 or more murders in the 3rd Quarter 2015 (70114 and 70116)
- Sunday, Monday, and Saturday experienced decreases in murders under 3rd Quarter 2014 (-63%, -33%, and -38% respectively)
- Fifty-five percent of murders occurred on either a Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday
- Murders on Thursdays increased 100% in the 3rd Quarter 2015 compared to 3rd Quarter 2014 (+4)

Murders by Zip Code with 5 or More Victims



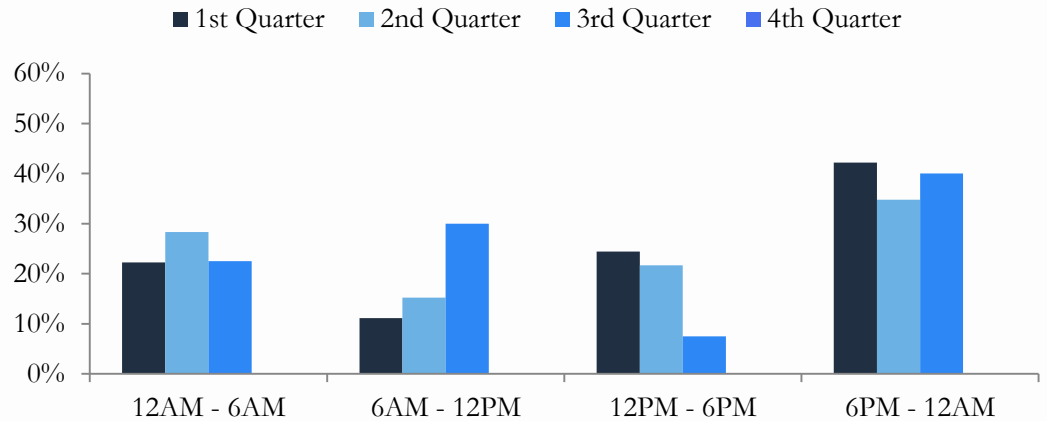
Murder Trends by Day of the Week



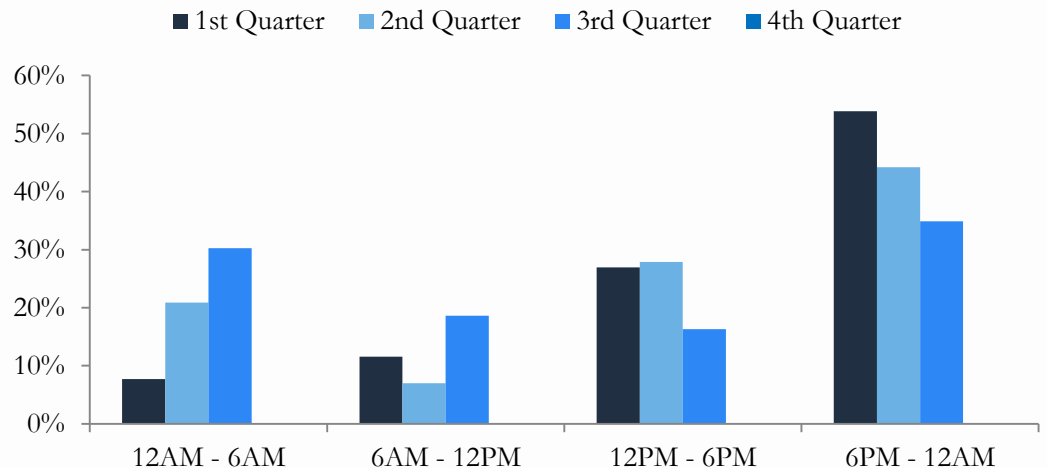
Murder Trends

- In the 2015 3rd Quarter 2015 time intervals 12AM – 6PM and 12PM – 6PM, both saw a decrease in murders under the 2015 2nd Quarter (-5 and -14 percentage points respectively)
- The percentage of murders that occurred between 12PM-6PM in the 3rd Quarter 2015 was 50% lower than the 3rd Quarter 2014, from 16% to 8%
- The proportion of 2015 murders that occurred between 6AM-12PM has doubled in the 3rd Quarter over the 2nd Quarter (15% to 30%) after a modest increase from the 1st Quarter to the 2nd Quarter (11% to 15%)

Murders by Time Category, 2015



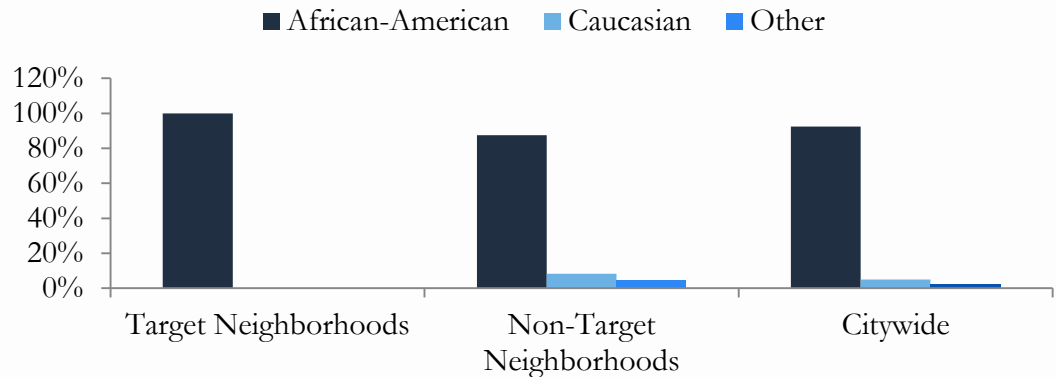
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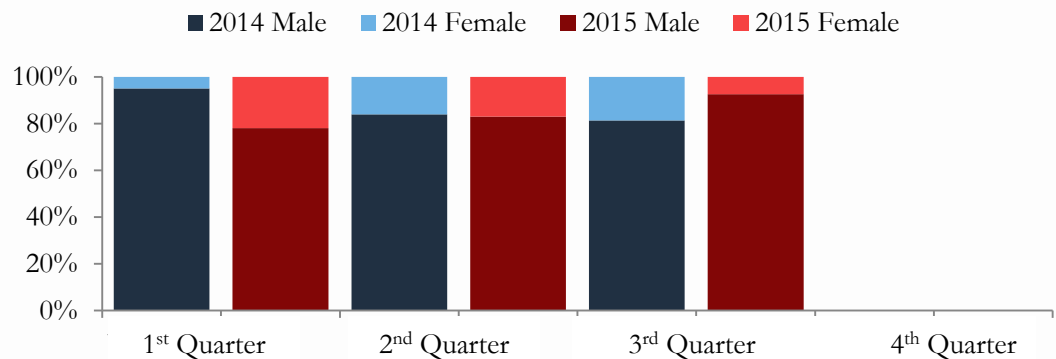
Murder Victims' Demographics

- Murder victims in Target Neighborhoods were exclusively African-American; almost 90% were African-American in Non-Target Neighborhoods
- The proportion of female murder victims in the 3rd Quarter decreased under the 2nd Quarter by approximately 9 percentage points (-5)

Murder Victims by Race by Neighborhood, 2015



Murder Victims, by Gender

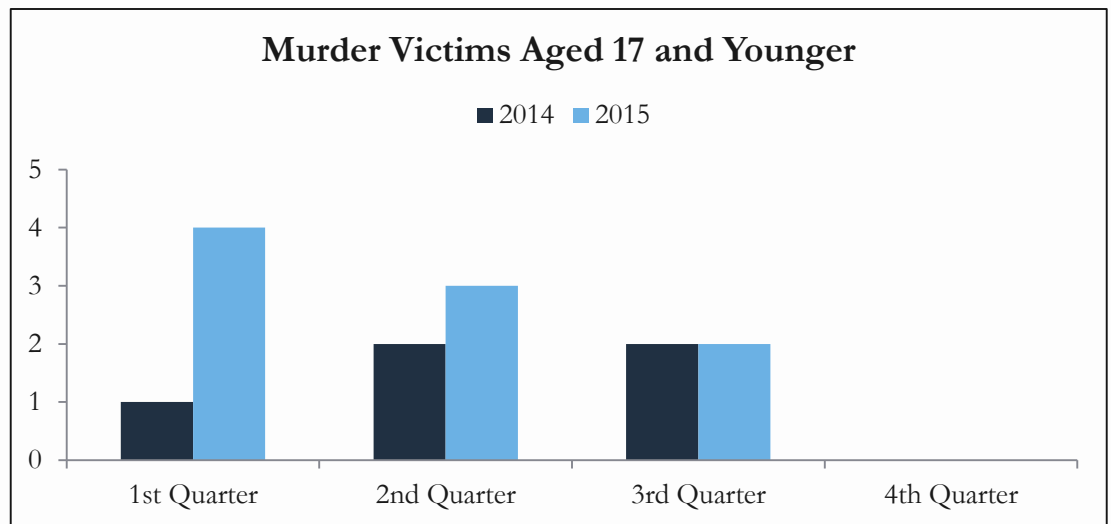
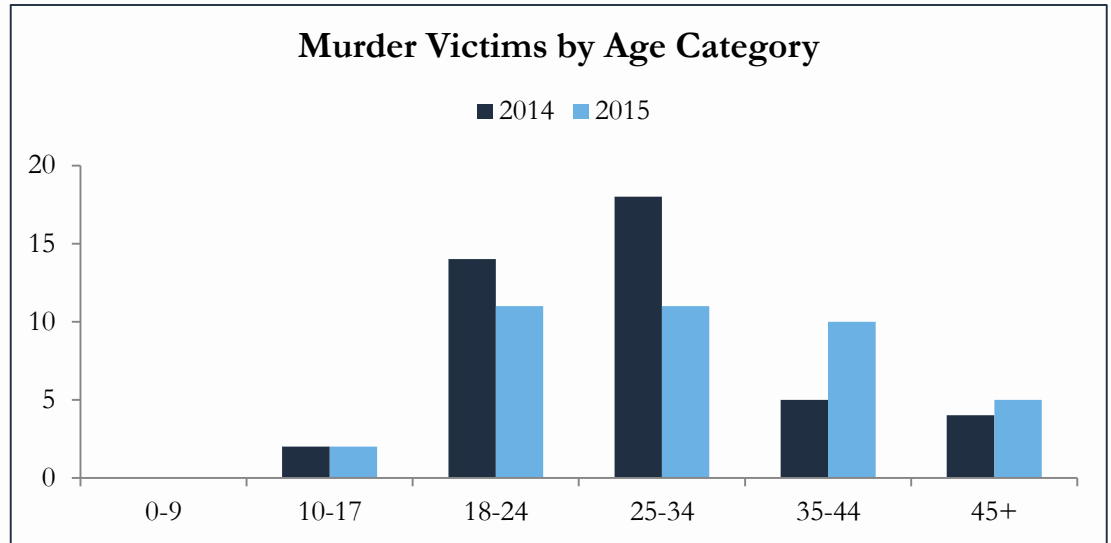


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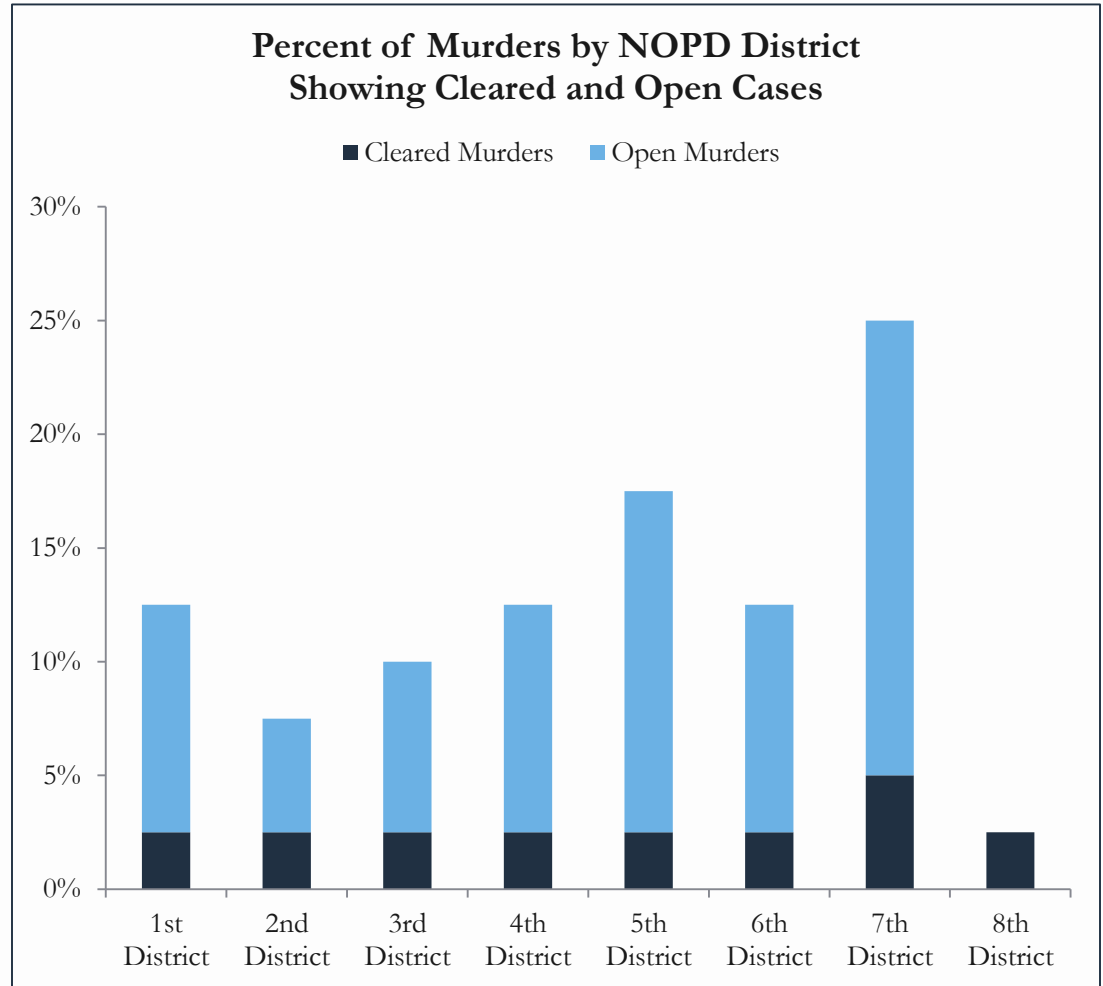
Murder Victims' Demographics

- There were 2 murder victims younger than 18 years old in the 3rd Quarter 2015
- There was an overall decrease in the number of murder victims between the ages of 18 and 24 (-10; -31%) in the 3rd Quarter 2015 compared to 3rd Quarter 2014
- The number of murder victims aged 17 and younger continued to decreased under the 1st and 2nd Quarter 2015 (-2 and -1 respectively)



Murder Clearance Rate by NOPD District

- There was 1 murder recorded and cleared in the 8th District in the 3rd Quarter
- Of the Districts with open murder cases, the 2nd District cleared the most at 33%
- The 7th District accounted for the most murders of all districts (25%) and cleared about 20% of the cases



Note: Murder clearance rate is calculated by dividing the number of murders cleared by arrest, warrant, and exception by the total number of murders

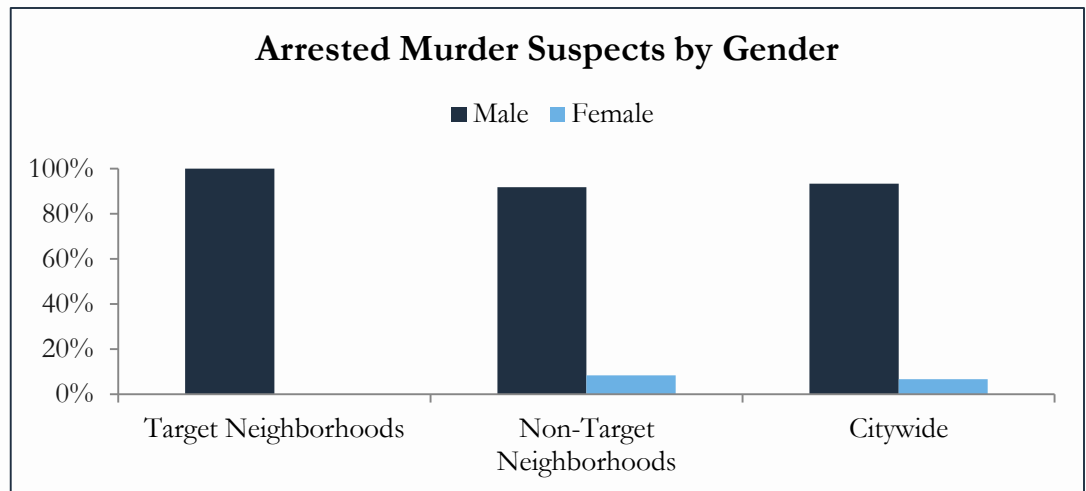
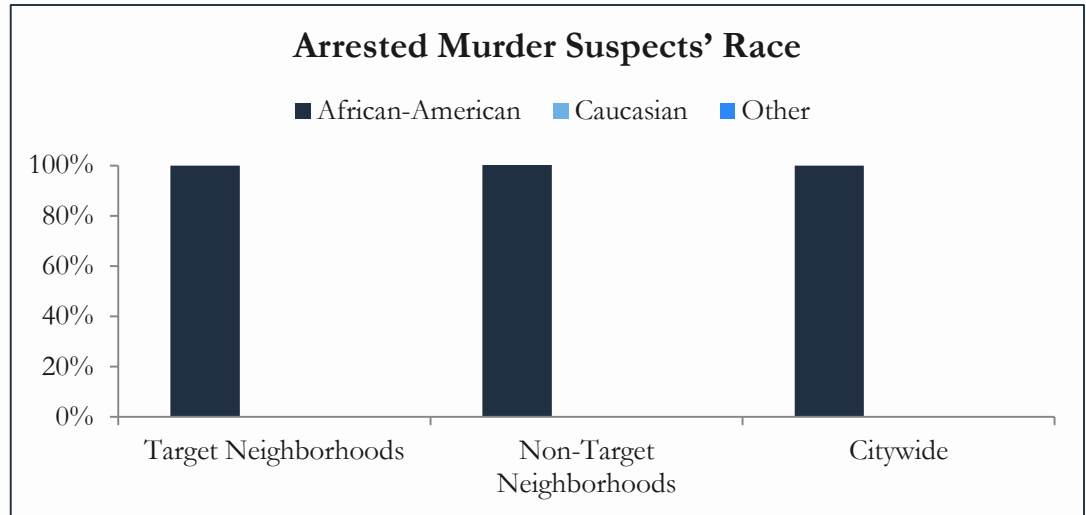
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Arrested Murder Suspects' Demographics

By Target Neighborhoods, Non-Target Neighborhoods, and Citywide, 2015

- There were 15 suspects arrested for murder in the 3rd Quarter
- Target Neighborhood arrested murder suspects were exclusively African-American males in the 3rd Quarter

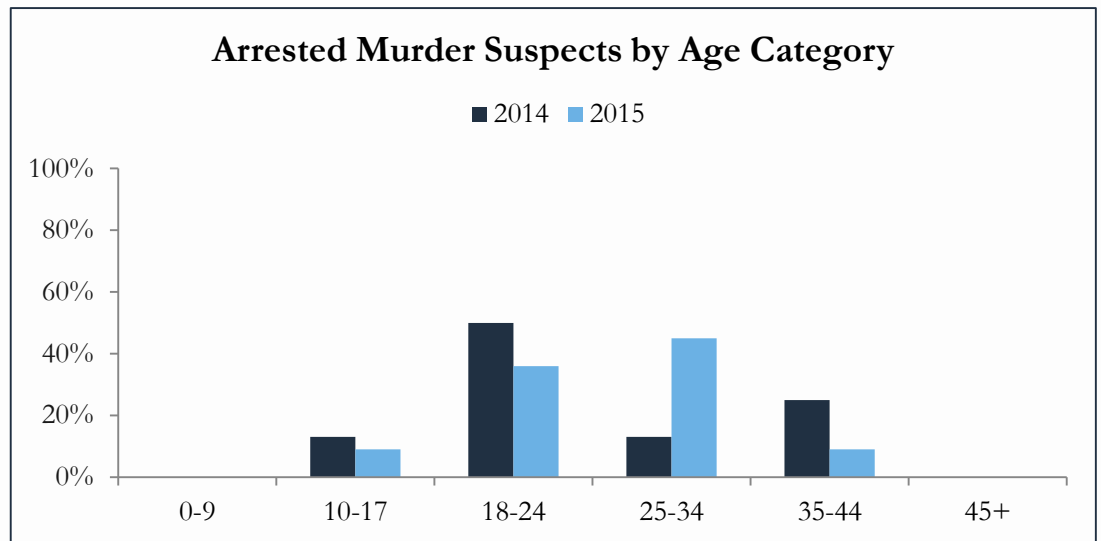
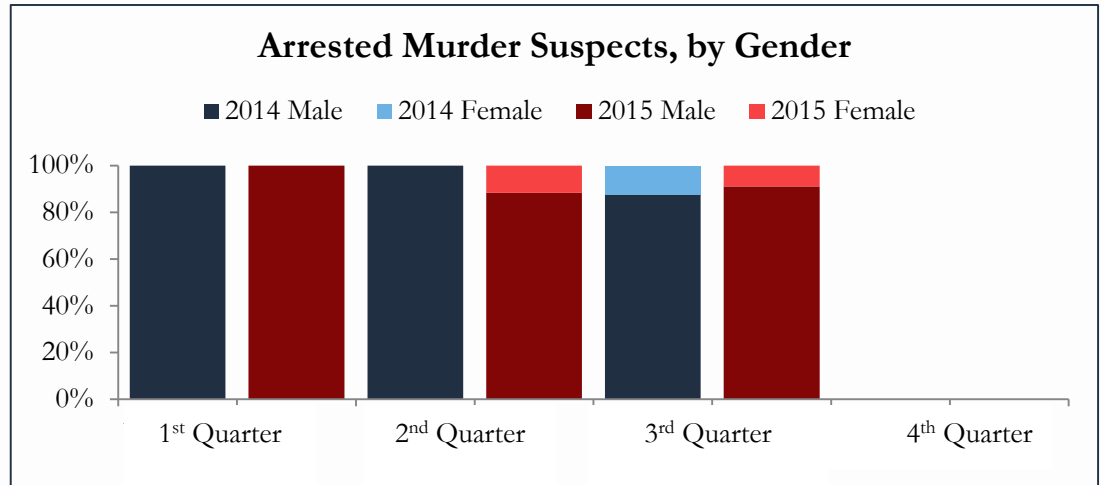


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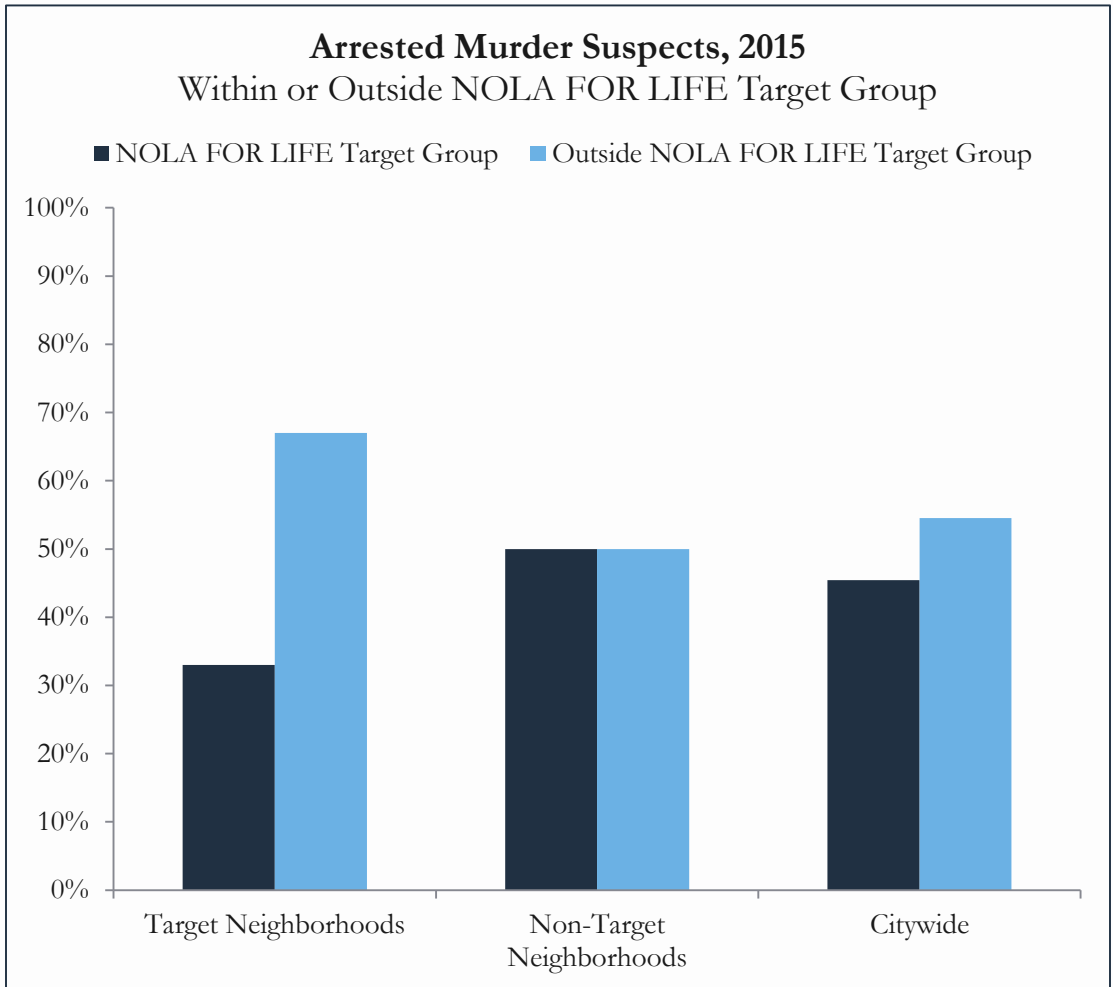
- One of the 15 arrested murder suspects in the 3rd Quarter was a female
- Almost 50% of the arrested murder suspects were between the ages of 25 and 35



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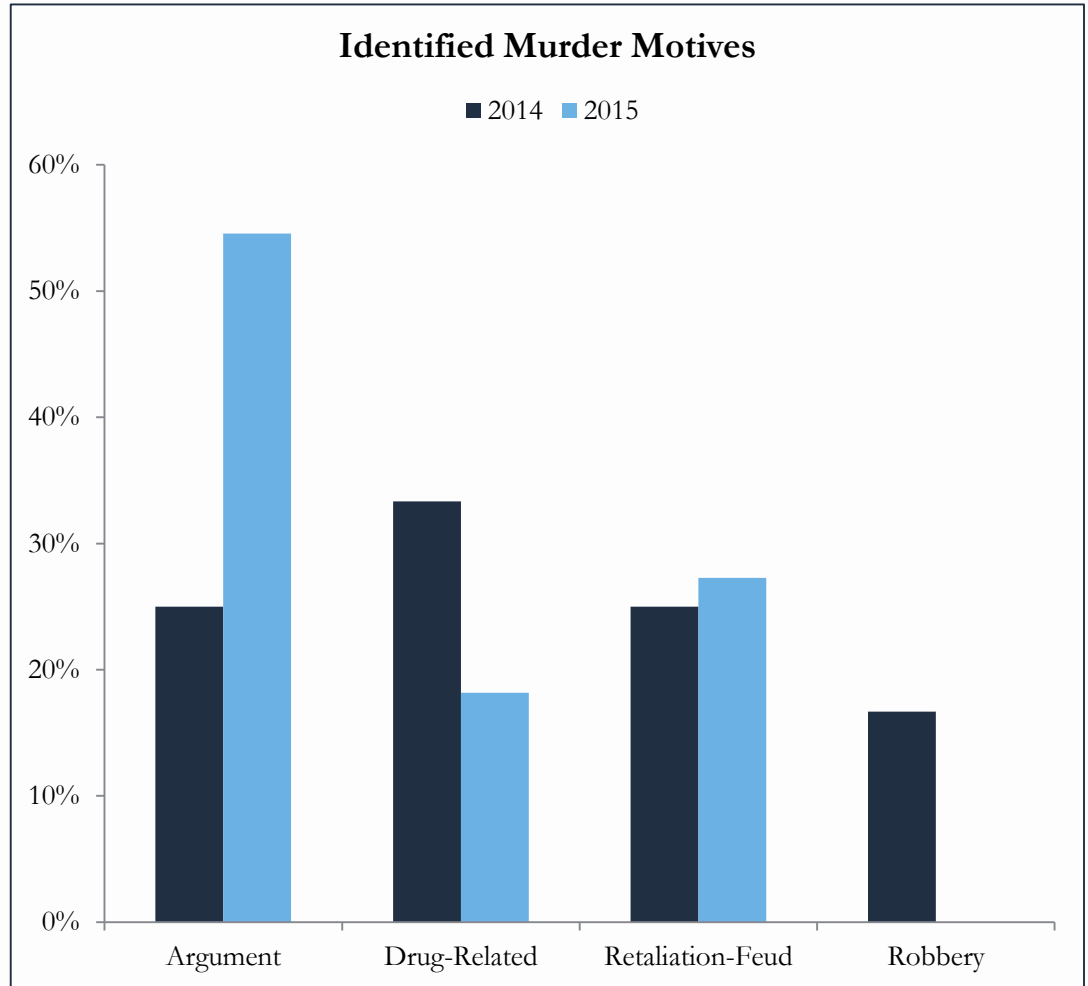
By Target Neighborhoods, Non-Target Neighborhoods, and Citywide, 2015

- Arrested murder suspects in Non-Target Neighborhoods were more likely to be within the NOLA FOR LIFE target group of African-American males between the ages of 16-24 compared to the Target Neighborhoods
- The average age of an arrested murder suspect older than the NOLA FOR LIFE target group was 25 years old



Identified Murder Motives

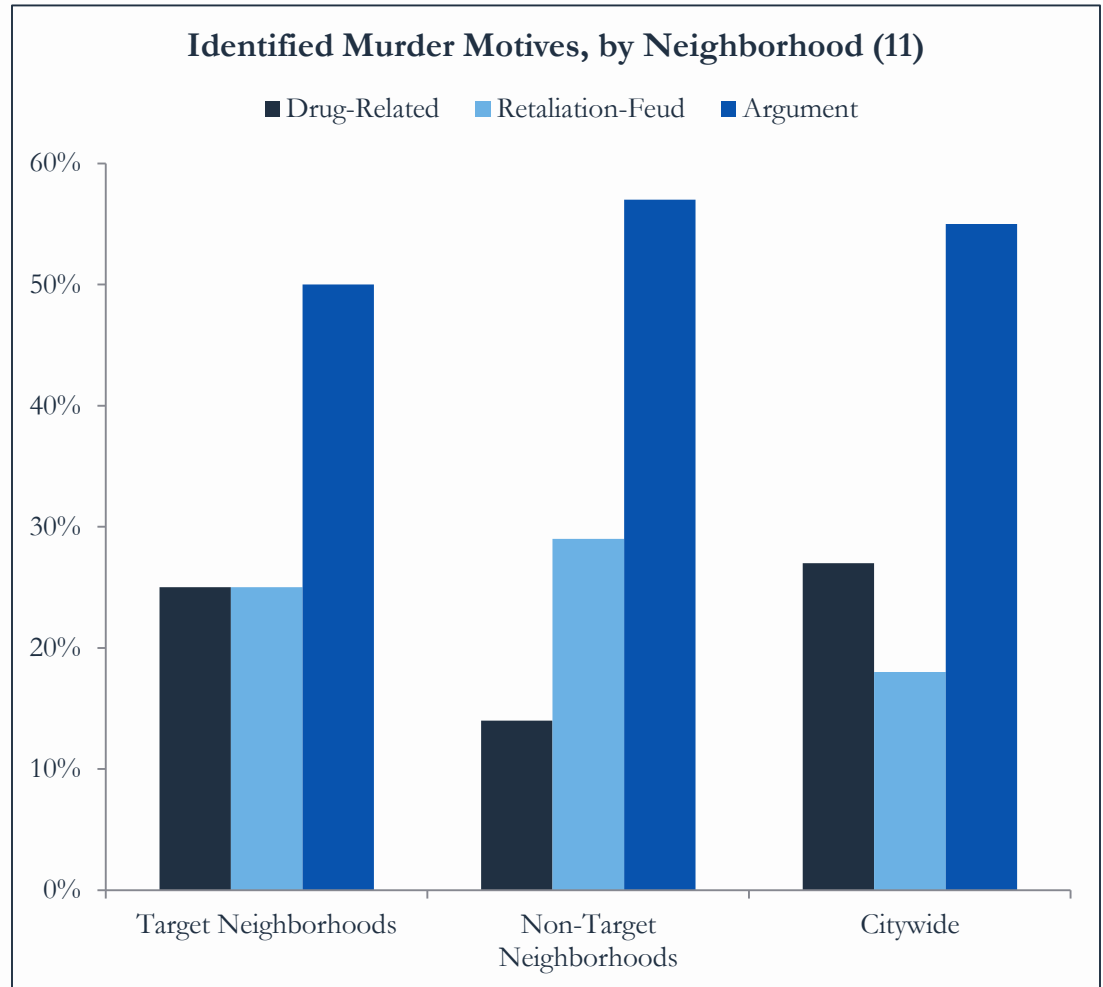
- In the 3rd Quarter 2015, 11 of 40 (28%) murders had an identified motive; in the 3rd Quarter 2014, 12 of 43 (28%) murders had an identified motive
- More than 50% of the identified murders motive were a result of an argument
- No murder in the 3rd Quarter 2015 was a result of a robbery compared to 17% of murders in the 3rd Quarter 2014



Identified Murder Motives

By Target Neighborhoods, Non-Target Neighborhoods, and Citywide, 2015

- Similar to the Citywide comparison, at least 50% of murder motives identified in Target Neighborhoods were related to arguments in the 3rd Quarter
- Drug-related murders were less likely to occur in Non-Target Neighborhoods than in Target Neighborhoods

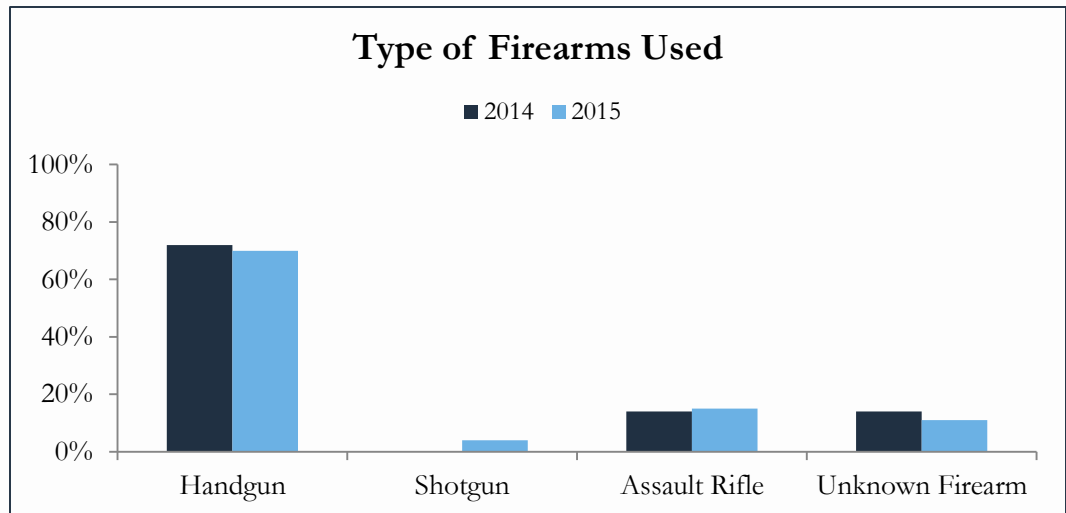
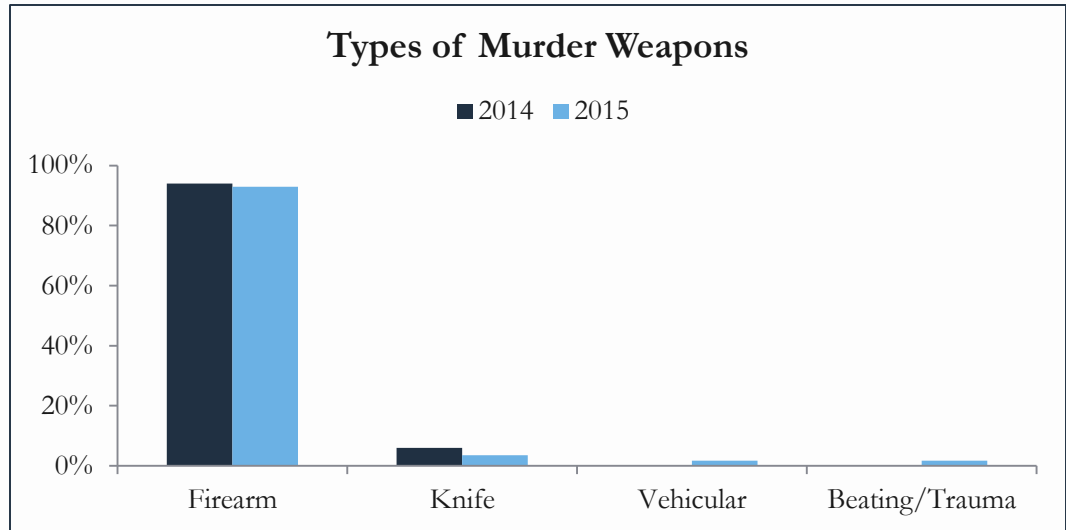


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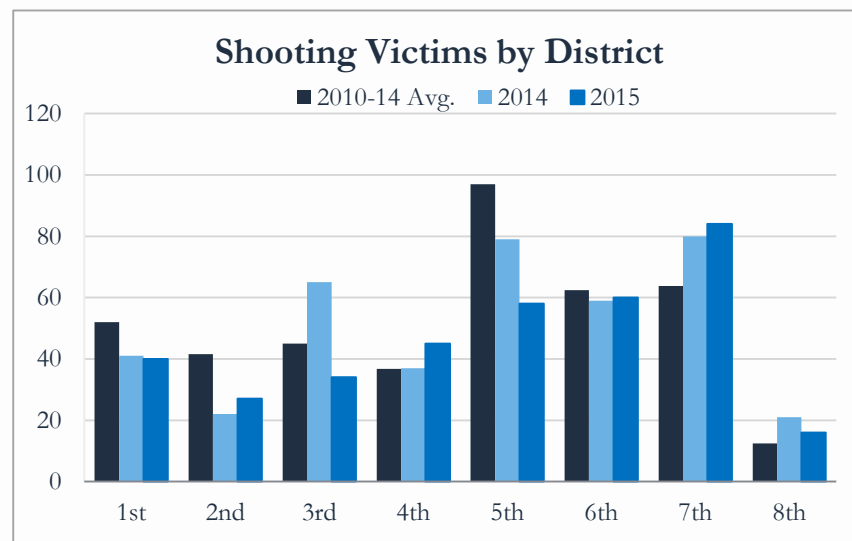
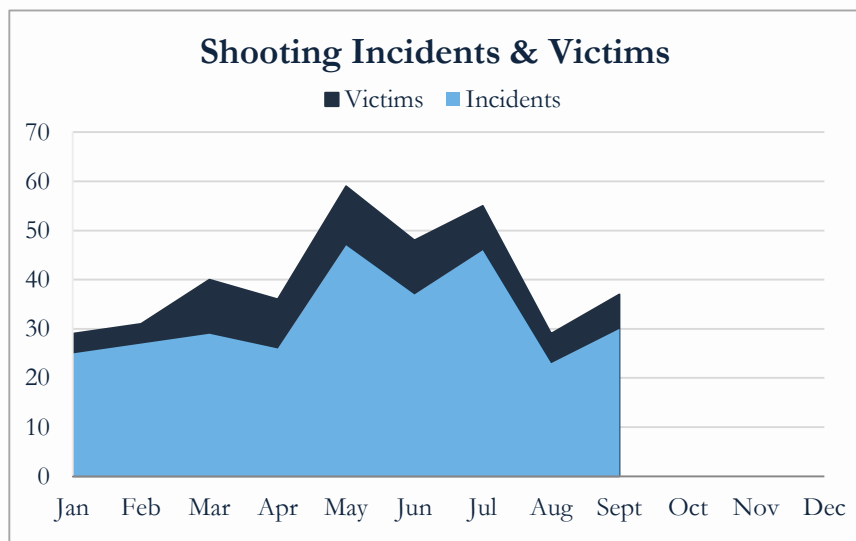
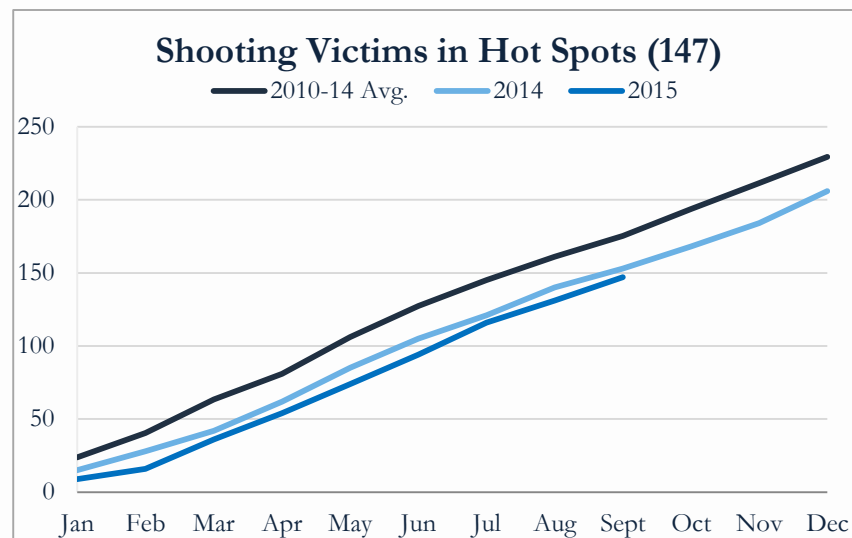
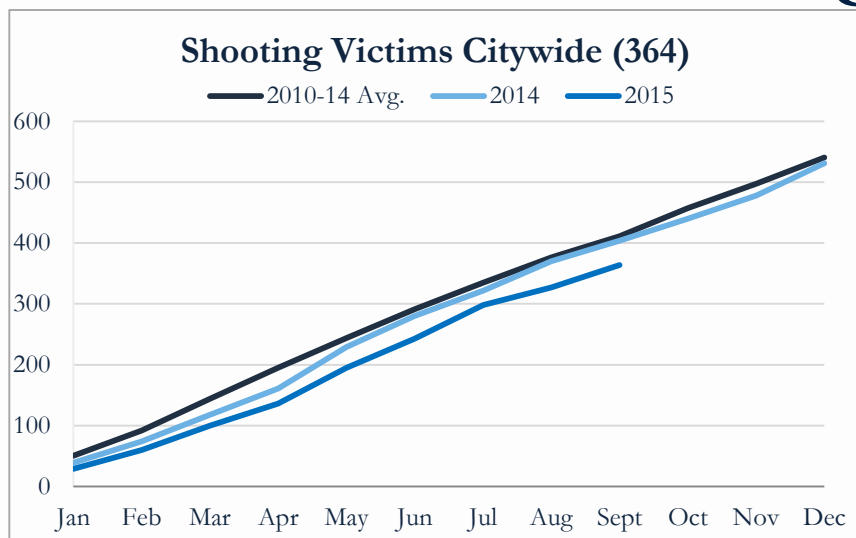


Murder Weapons

- Firearms were the most commonly used weapon in the commission of a murder in the 3rd Quarter for both 2014 (94%) and 2015 (93%)
- Handguns were used more than any other style of firearm (70%) in the 3rd Quarter 2015
- There was no significant difference in the use of assault rifles in the 3rd Quarter 2015 (15%) compared to 3rd Quarter 2014 (14%)



Shooting Trends

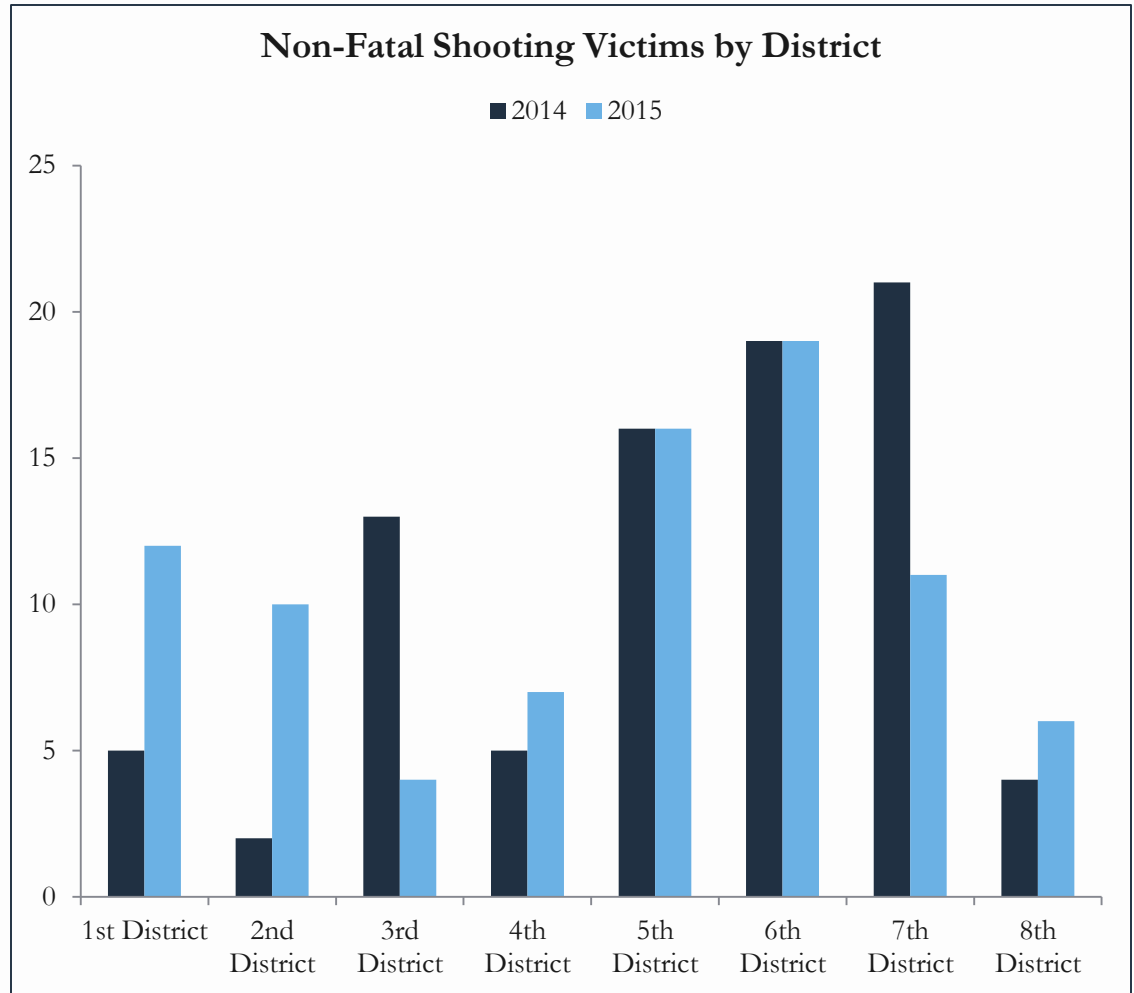


Note on shootings: The number of shootings presented in these graphs are those that are known to NOPD. Shootings that did not strike an individual are not included.



Non-Fatal Shooting Victims by District

- The 3rd and 7th Districts were the only districts that saw fewer non-fatal shooting victims in the 3rd Quarter 2015 compared to 3rd Quarter 2014 (-9 and -10 respectively)
- The 2nd District experienced the greatest increase in the 3rd Quarter over the same period in 2014 (+8; +400%)

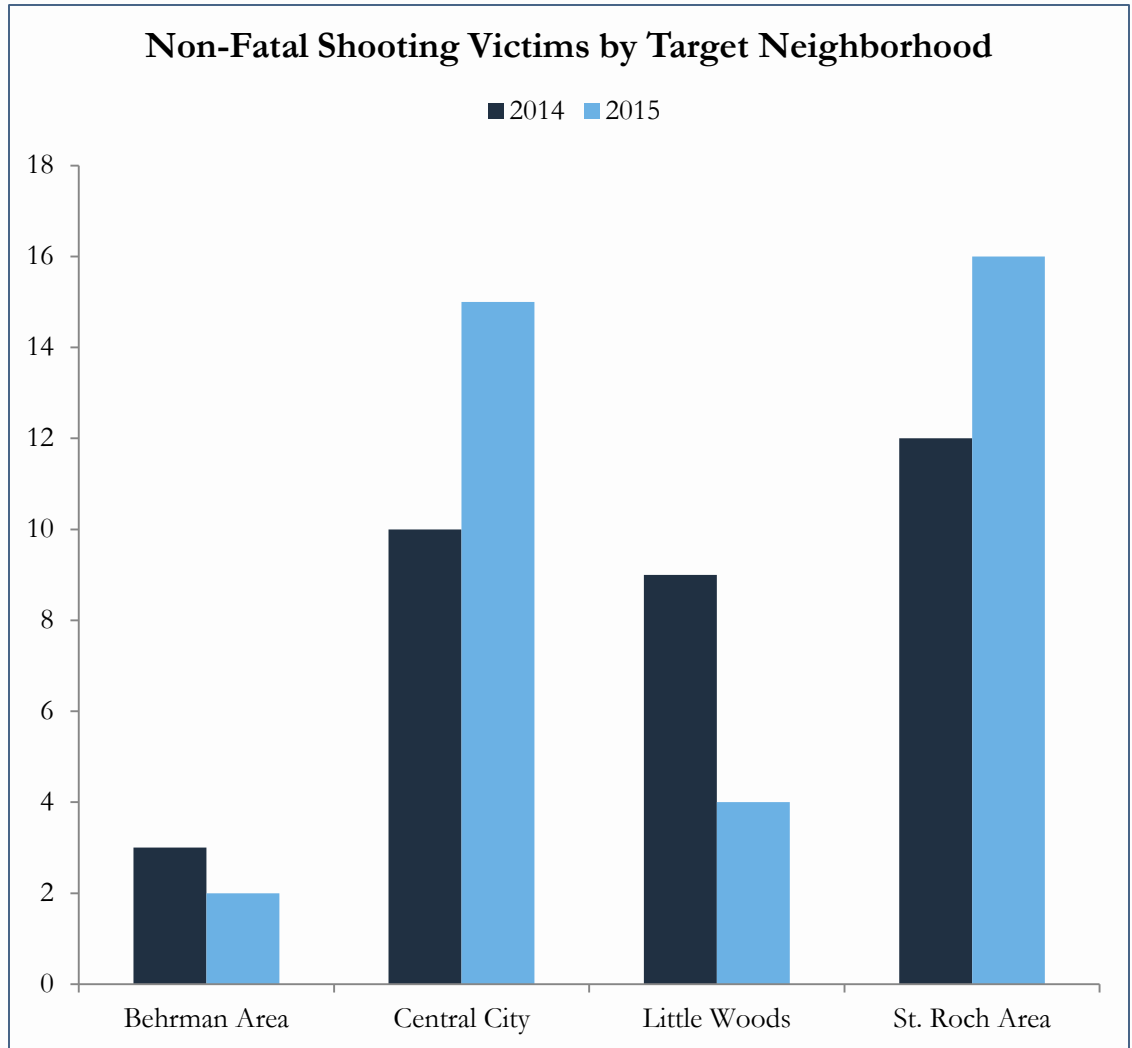


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Non-Fatal Shooting Victims by Target Neighborhood

- The Behrman Area and Little Woods saw a collective decrease in non-fatal shooting victims (-6; -50%) in the 3rd Quarter compared to the 3rd Quarter 2014
- Among Target Neighborhoods, Central City experienced the largest increase in the 3rd Quarter over 3rd Quarter 2014 at +50% (+5)



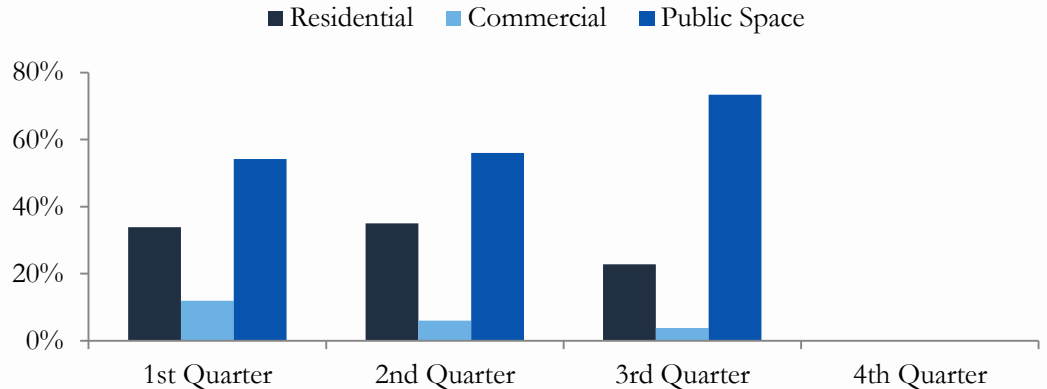
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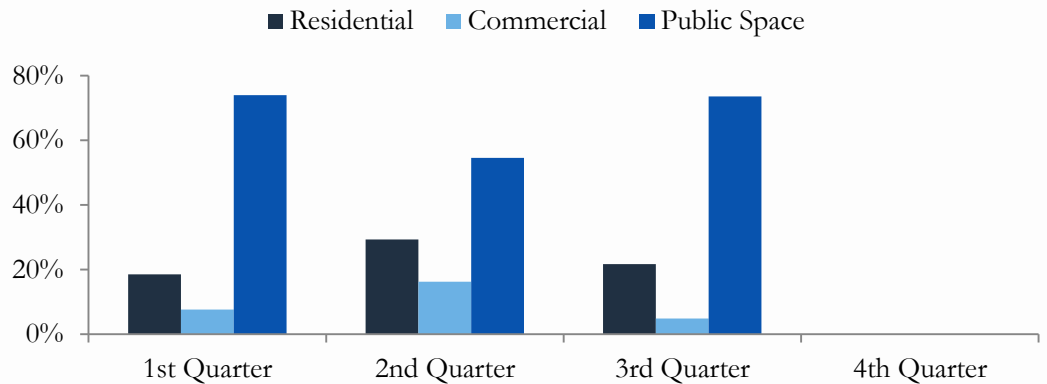
Non-Fatal Shooting Trends

- The majority of non-fatal shootings occurred in a public space, which has not changed significantly compared to the 3rd Quarter 2014 and the 2nd Quarter 2015
- The number of non-fatal shooting victims in residential locations decreased by 12 percentage points from 2nd Quarter to 3rd Quarter 2015

Non-Fatal Shootings by Type of Location, 2015



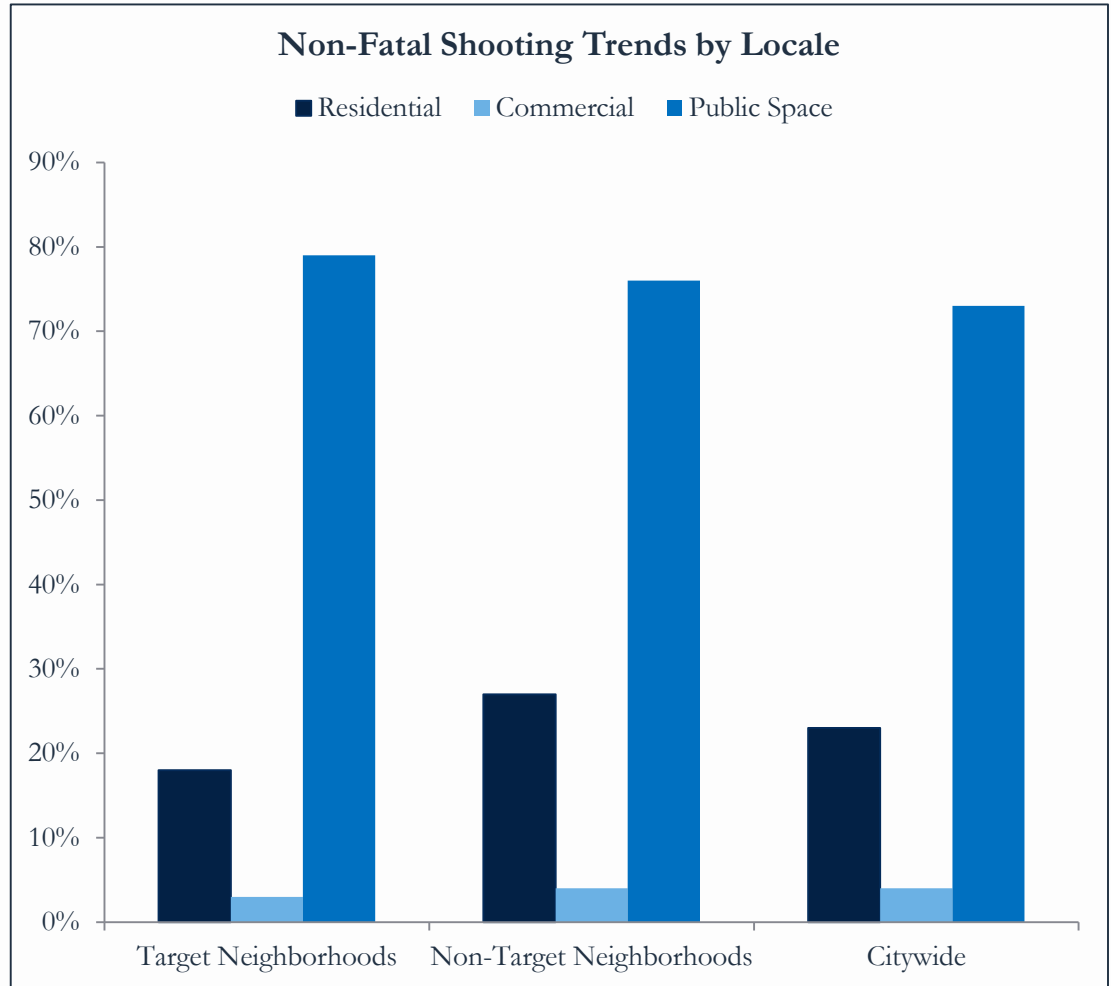
Non-Fatal Shootings by Type of Location, 2014



Non-Fatal Shooting Trends

By Target Neighborhoods, Non-Target Neighborhoods, and Citywide, 2015

- Non-fatal shooting victims were more likely to be shot in public spaces in all neighborhoods
- A higher proportion of non-fatal shooting victims were shot at a residence in Non-Target Neighborhoods than in Target Neighborhoods

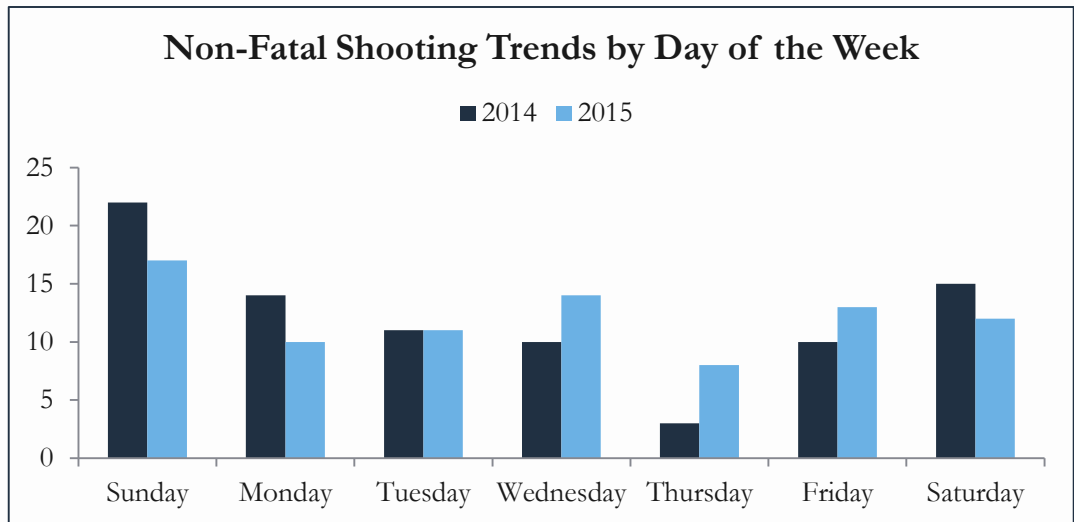
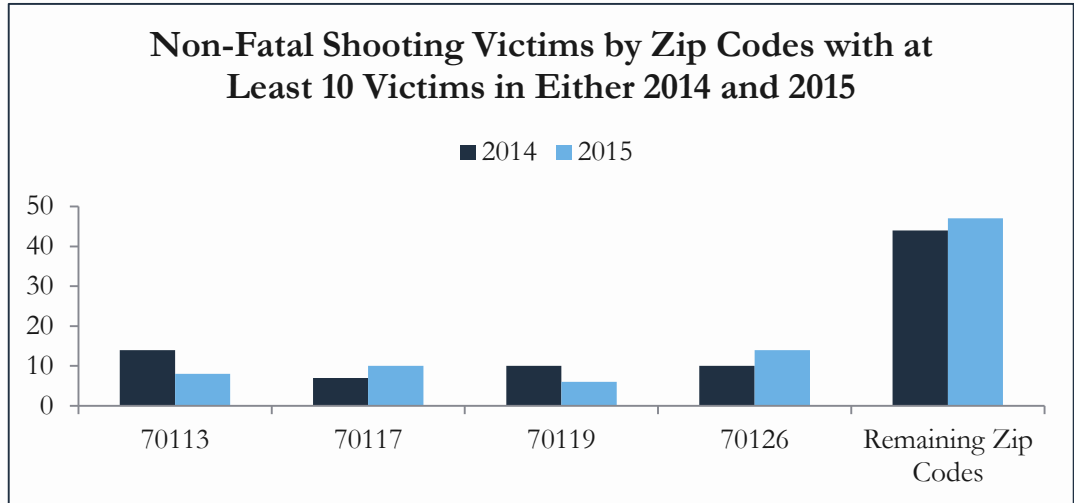


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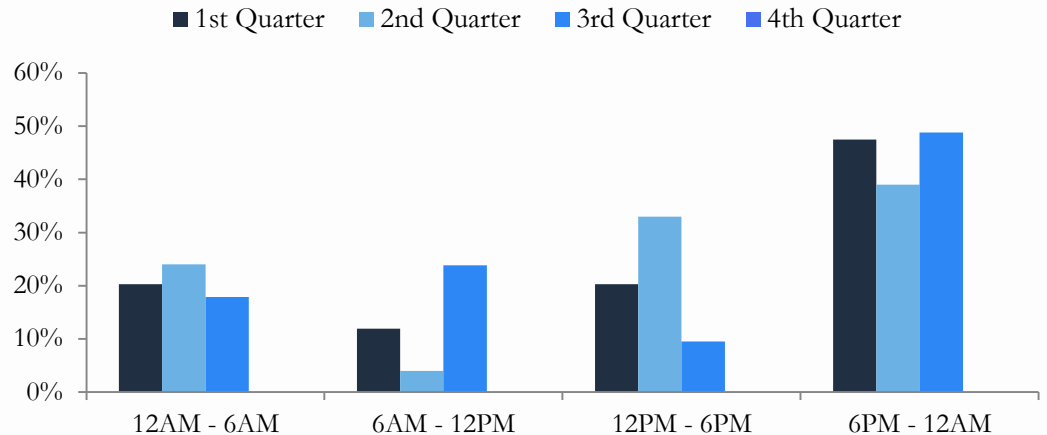
- Forty-five percent (38) of all non-fatal shootings occurred in 4 zip codes (24% of the City's population)
- Zip Codes 70113 and 70119 saw a collective reduction in the 3rd Quarter 2015 under 3rd Quarter 2014 (-10; -42%)
- Compared to the 3rd Quarter 2014, there were fewer or no increase in non-fatal shooting victims on all days except Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays
- Thursdays showed the largest increase in non-fatal shooting victims (+167%; +5)



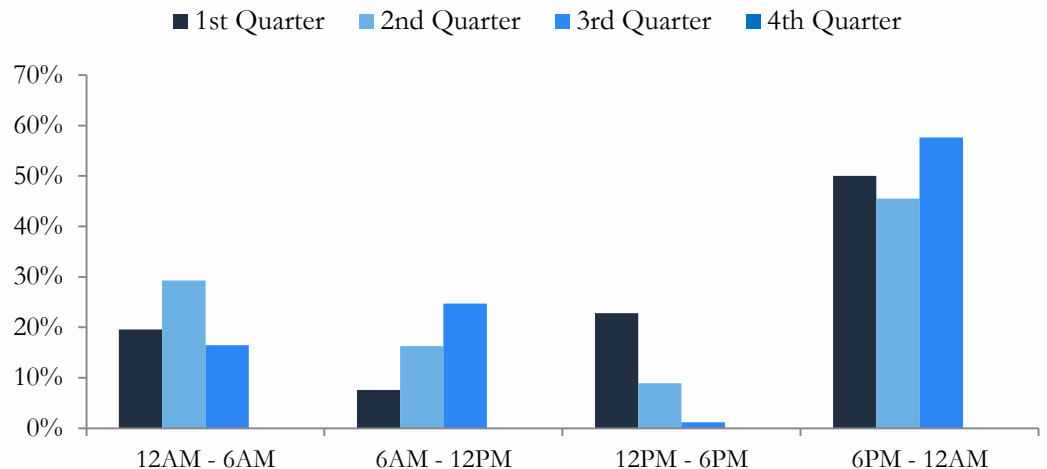
Non-Fatal Shooting Trends

- More non-fatal shootings occurred between 6PM and 12AM than any other time frame for the 3rd Quarter in both 2014 and 2015
- Non-fatal shootings that occurred between 6AM-12PM increased by 20 percentage points in the 3rd Quarter over the 2nd Quarter 2015

Non-Fatal Shootings by Time Category, 2015



Non-Fatal Shootings by Time Category, 2014

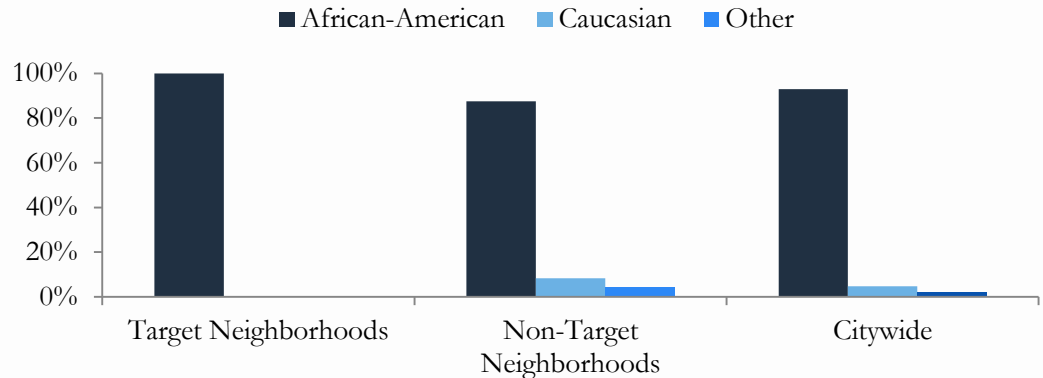


Non-Fatal Shooting Victims' Demographics

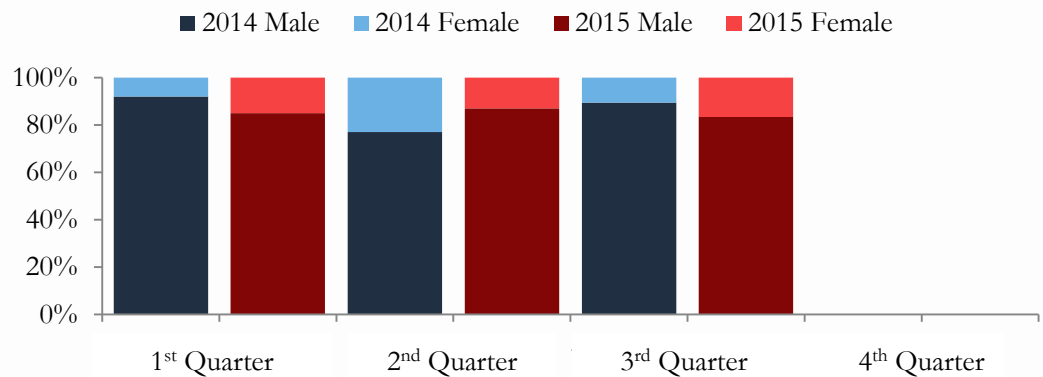
By Target Neighborhoods, Non-Target Neighborhoods, and Citywide, 2015

- Non-fatal shooting victims in Target Neighborhoods were exclusively African-American
- There was little change in the percent of female non-fatal victims between 2nd and 3rd Quarter 2015

Non-Fatal Shooting Victims by Race by Neighborhood



Non-Fatal Shooting Victims, by Gender

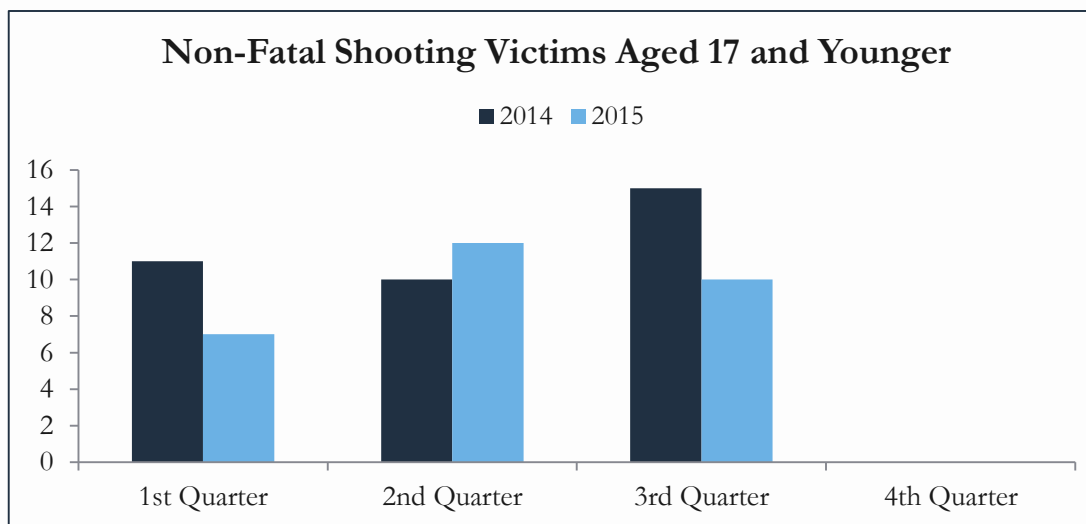
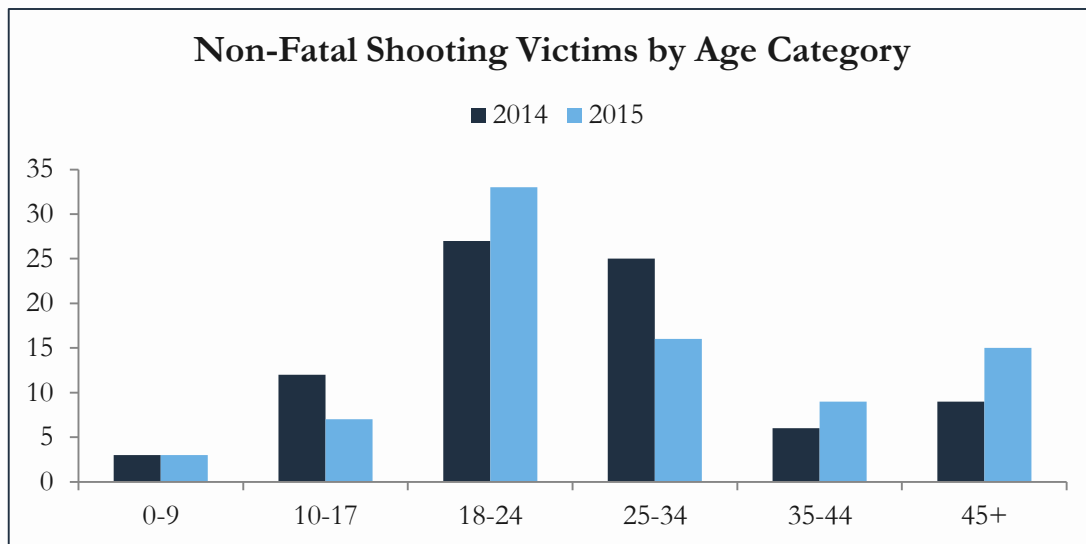


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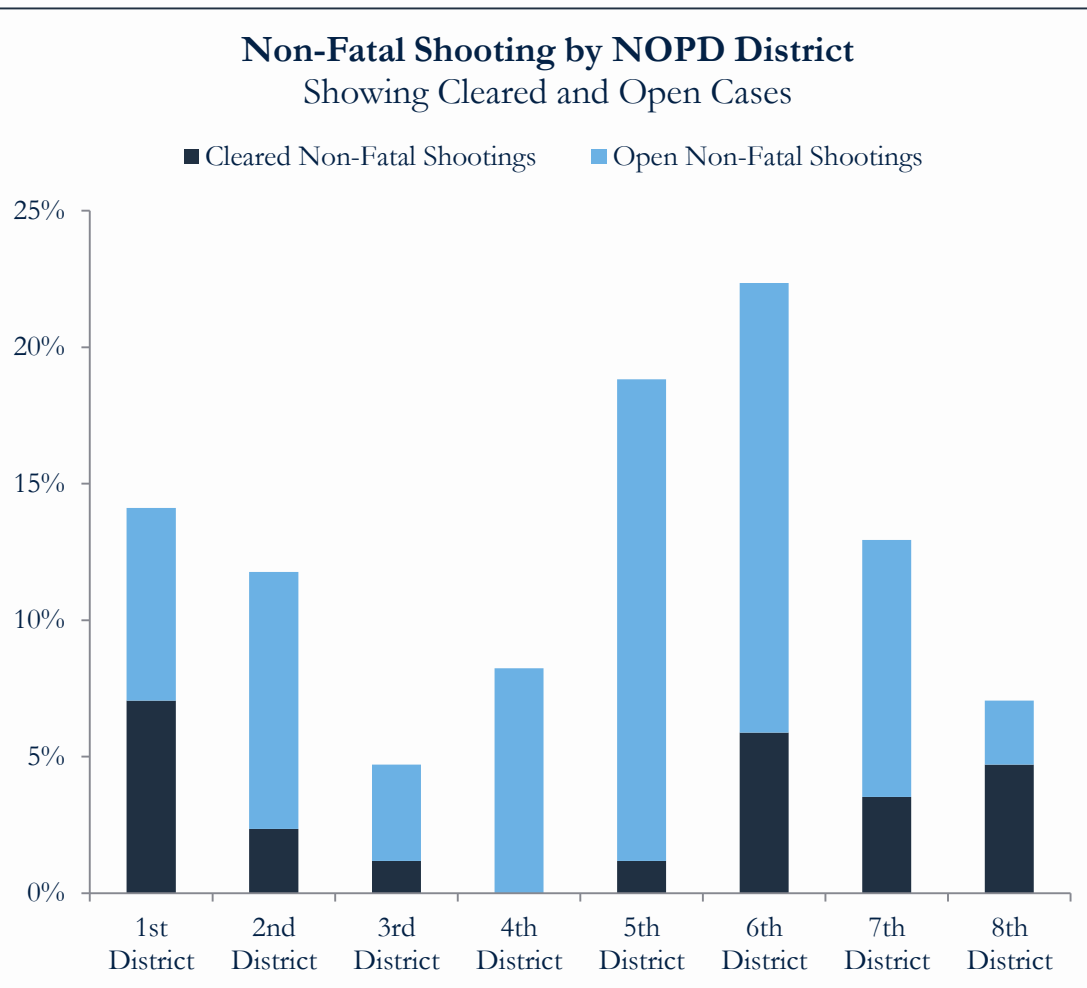
Non-Fatal Shooting Victims' Demographics

- There were 2 non-fatal shooting victims with unidentified ages in 3rd Quarter 2015 and 3 in 3rd Quarter 2014
- Two age categories saw a decrease in non-fatal shooting victims: 10-17 (-42%; -5) and 25-34 (-44%; -9)
- There were 2 fewer non-fatal shooting victims aged 17 and younger in the 3rd Quarter than in the 2nd Quarter 2015
- There was no significant difference in non-fatal shooting victims within the NOLA FOR LIFE target group from 3rd Quarter 2014 (21%; 9) to 3rd Quarter 2015 (25%; 10)



Non-Fatal Shooting Clearance Rate by NOPD District

- The 3rd and 7th Districts increased their murder clearance rates from 3rd Quarter 2014 (from 0% to 25% and 27% respectively)
- The 4th District did not clear any non-fatal shootings in the 3rd Quarter 2015
- The overall non-fatal shooting clearance rate for 3rd Quarter 2015 was 26% (22 out of 85 non-fatal shootings)



Note: Non-fatal shooting clearance rate is calculated by dividing the number of non-fatal shooting incidents cleared by arrest, warrant, and exception by the total number of non-fatal shootings incidents



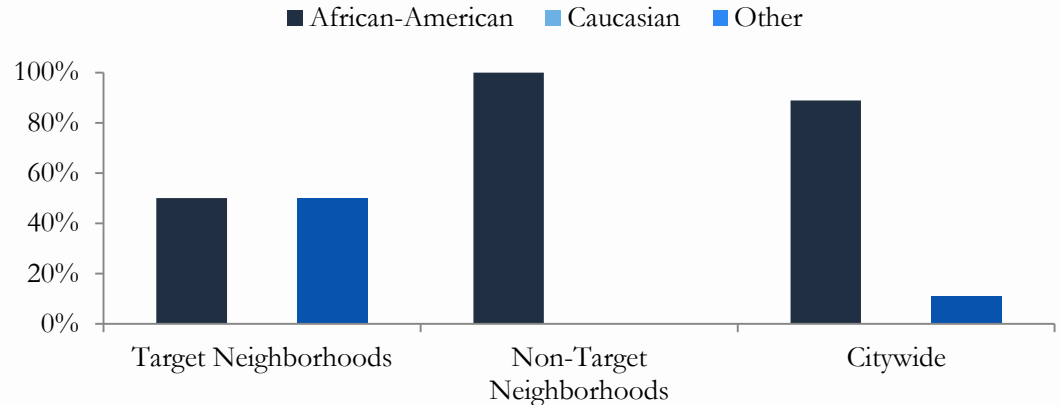
Target Neighborhoods are located in the 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th Districts.

Arrested Non-Fatal Shooting Suspects' Demographics

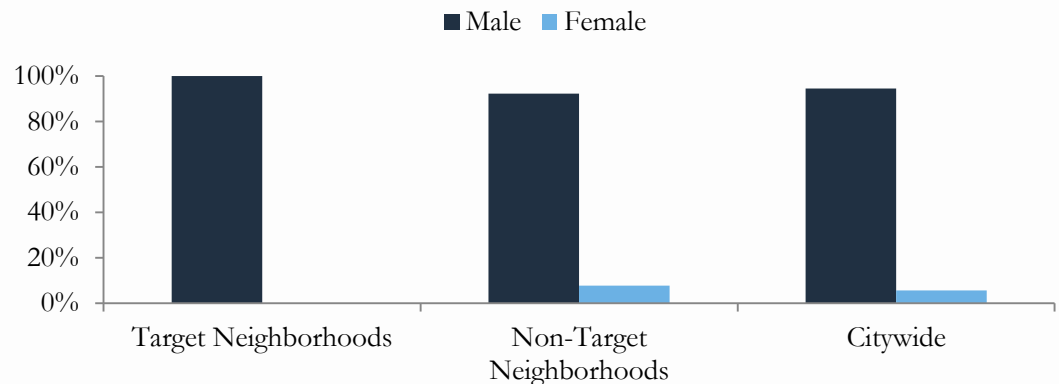
By Target Neighborhoods, Non-Target Neighborhoods, and Citywide, 2015

- There were 9 arrested non-fatal shooting suspects in the 3rd Quarter 2015
- Arrested non-fatal shooting suspects have been exclusively African-American in Non-Target Neighborhoods
- Arrested non-fatal shooting suspects in Target Neighborhoods have been all been male
- One arrested non-fatal shooting suspect in a Non-Target Neighborhood was female

Arrested Non-Fatal Shooting Suspects by Race, 2015



Arrested Non-Fatal Shooting Suspects by Gender, 2015

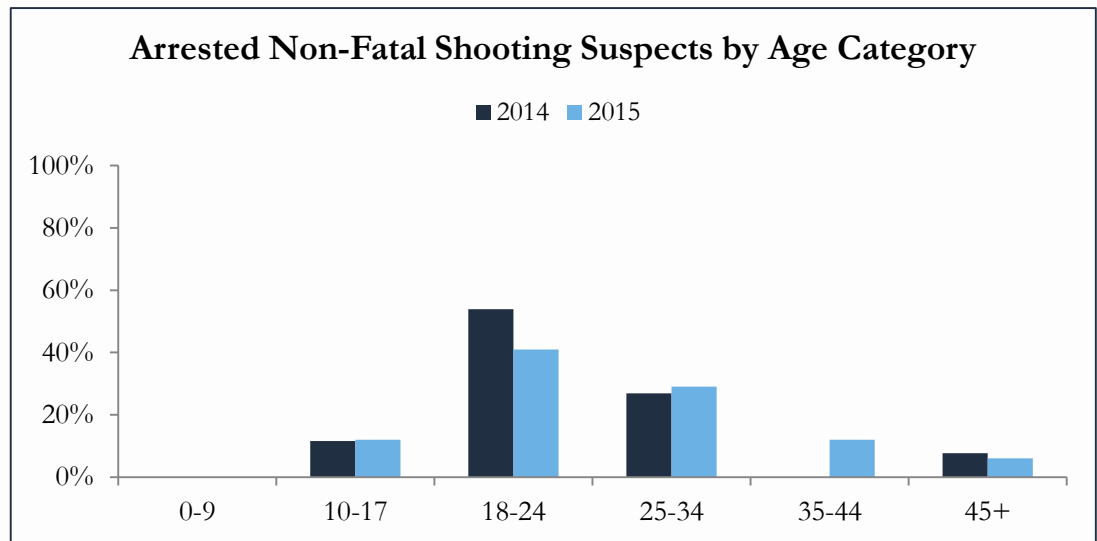
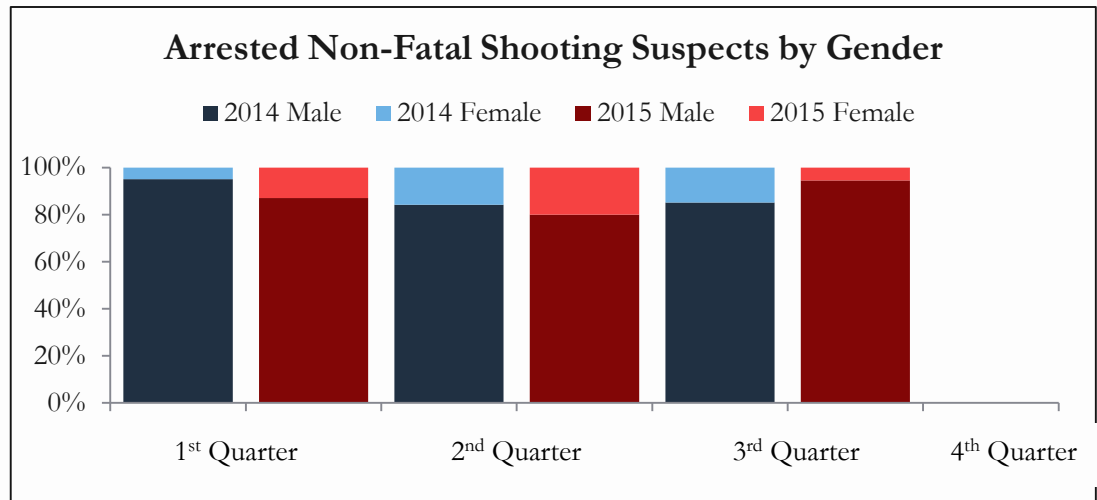


Target Neighborhoods Include: Behrman Area, Central City, Little Woods, and St. Roch Area.



Arrested Non-Fatal Shooting Suspects' Demographics

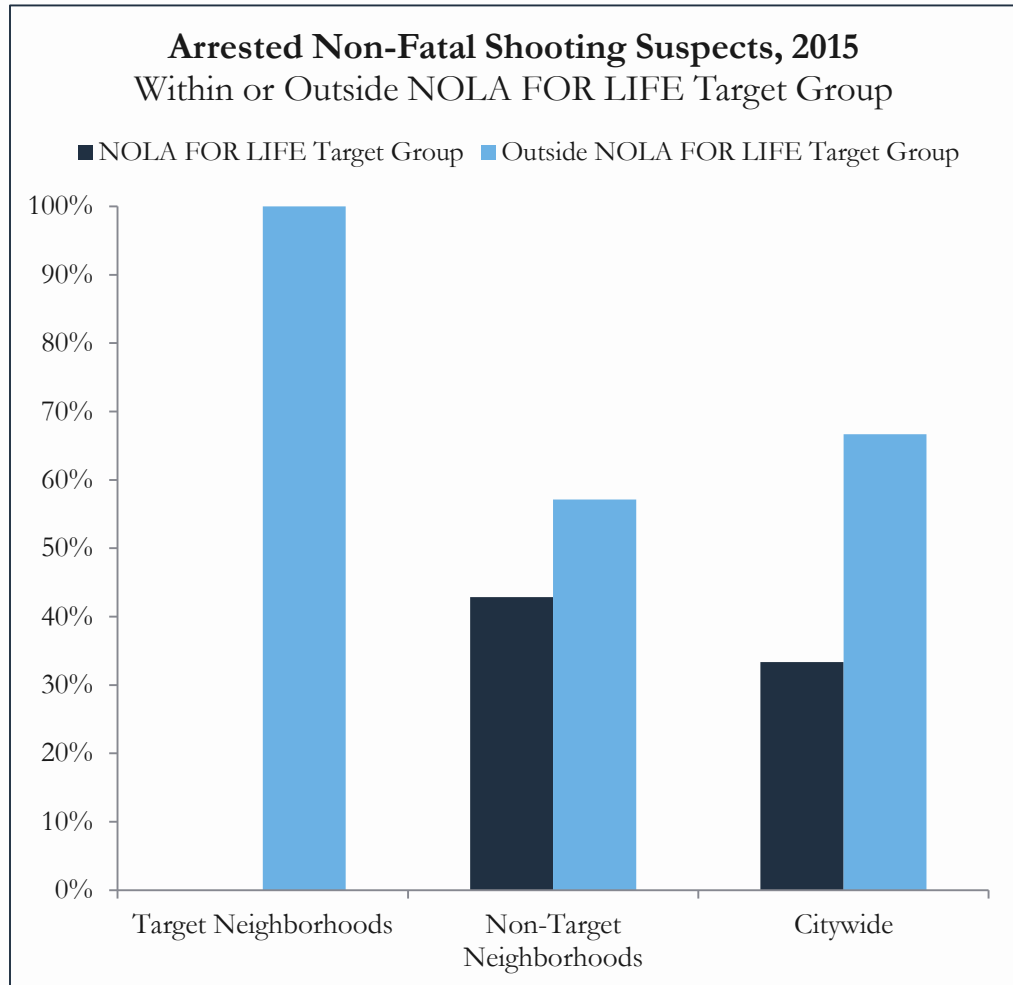
- The percent of female arrested non-fatal shooting suspects decreased from 20% in 3rd Quarter 2014 to 5% in 3rd Quarter 2015, but the number was 1 in each quarter
- There was a decrease in arrested non-fatal shooting suspects aged 18-24 and 45+



Arrested Non-Fatal Shooting Suspects' Demographics

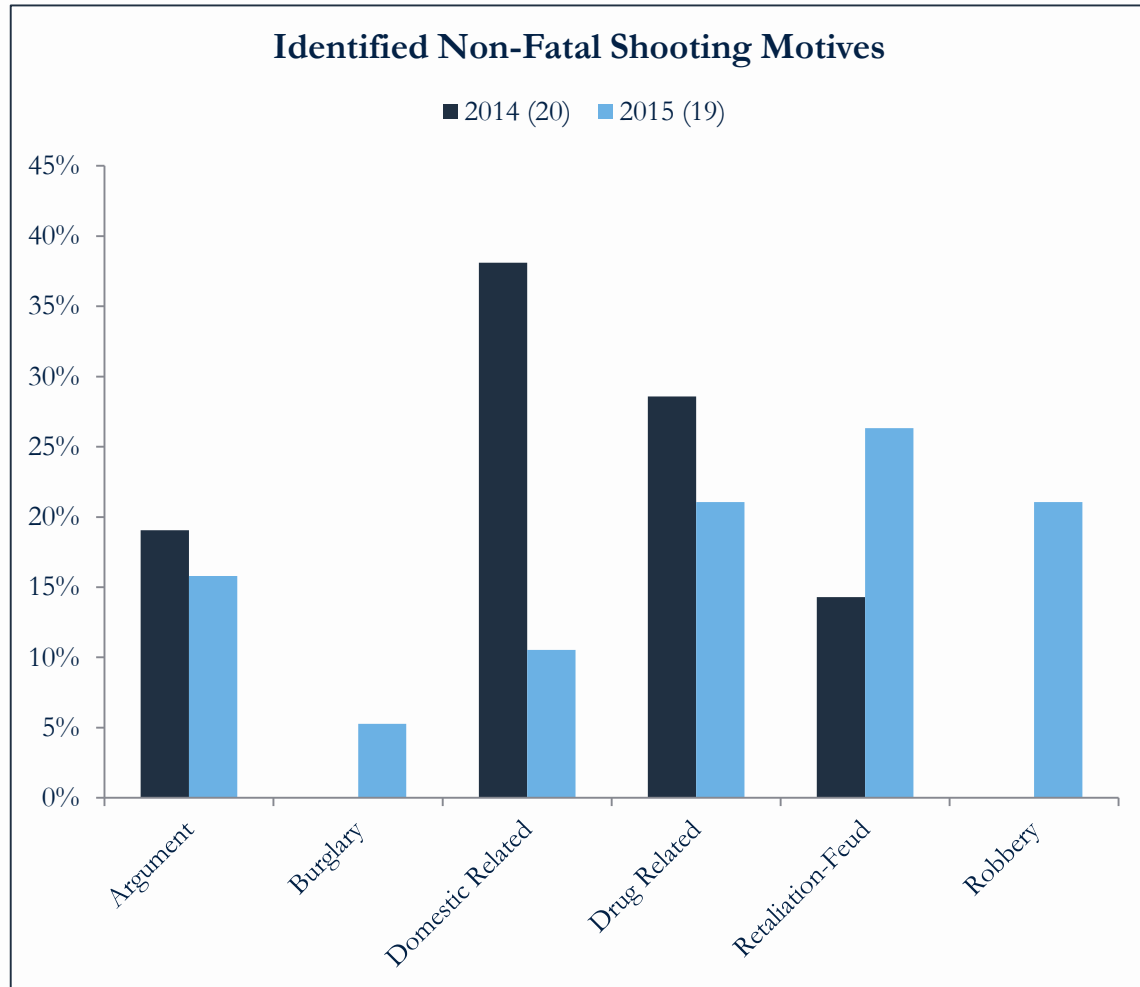
By Target Neighborhoods, Non-Target Neighborhoods, and Citywide, 2015

- Arrested non-fatal shooting suspects were more likely to be outside the NOLA FOR LIFE target group of African-American males aged 16-24
- All arrested suspects of non-fatal shootings were outside the NOLA FOR LIFE target group because they were older
- The average age of an arrested non-fatal shooting suspect older than the NOLA FOR LIFE target group was 26 years old



Identified Non-Fatal Shooting Motives

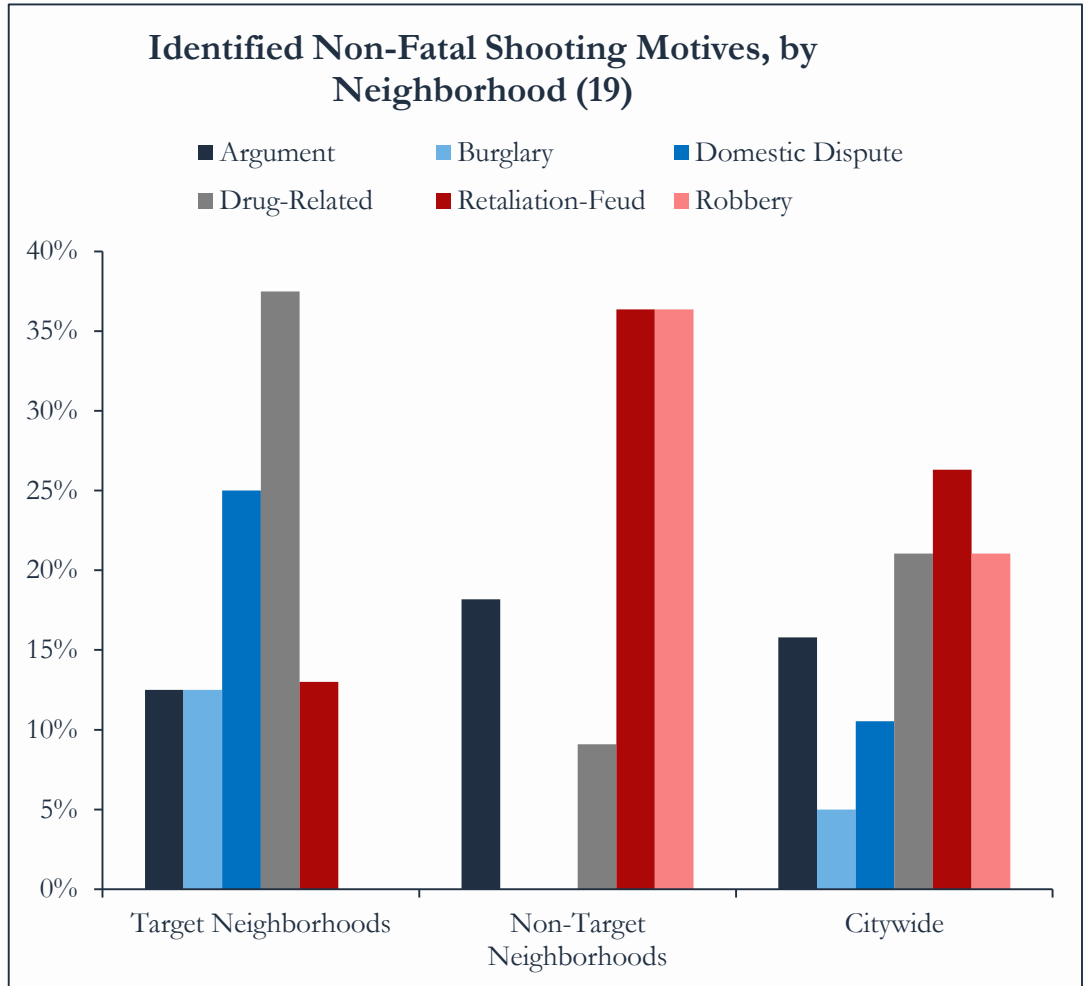
- Nineteen non-fatal shootings in the 3rd Quarter 2015 and 20 non-fatal shootings in the 3rd Quarter 2014 had identified motives
- The plurality of non-fatal shootings were related to retaliations or feuds in the 3rd Quarter 2015 (26% of identified motives)
- Domestic Related non-fatal shootings in the 3rd Quarter 2015 decreased by more than 25 percentage points under the 3rd Quarter 2014
- Twenty-one percent of non-fatal shootings motives were robbery related in the 3rd Quarter 2015 compared to zero identified murder motives that were robbery related



Identified Non-Fatal Shooting Motives

By Target Neighborhoods, Non-Target Neighborhoods, and Citywide, 2015

- Drug-related non-fatal shootings were more common in Target Neighborhoods than in Non-Target Neighborhoods
- Non-fatal shootings related to retaliation, feuds, or robberies were more likely to occur in Non-Target Neighborhoods than in Target Neighborhoods

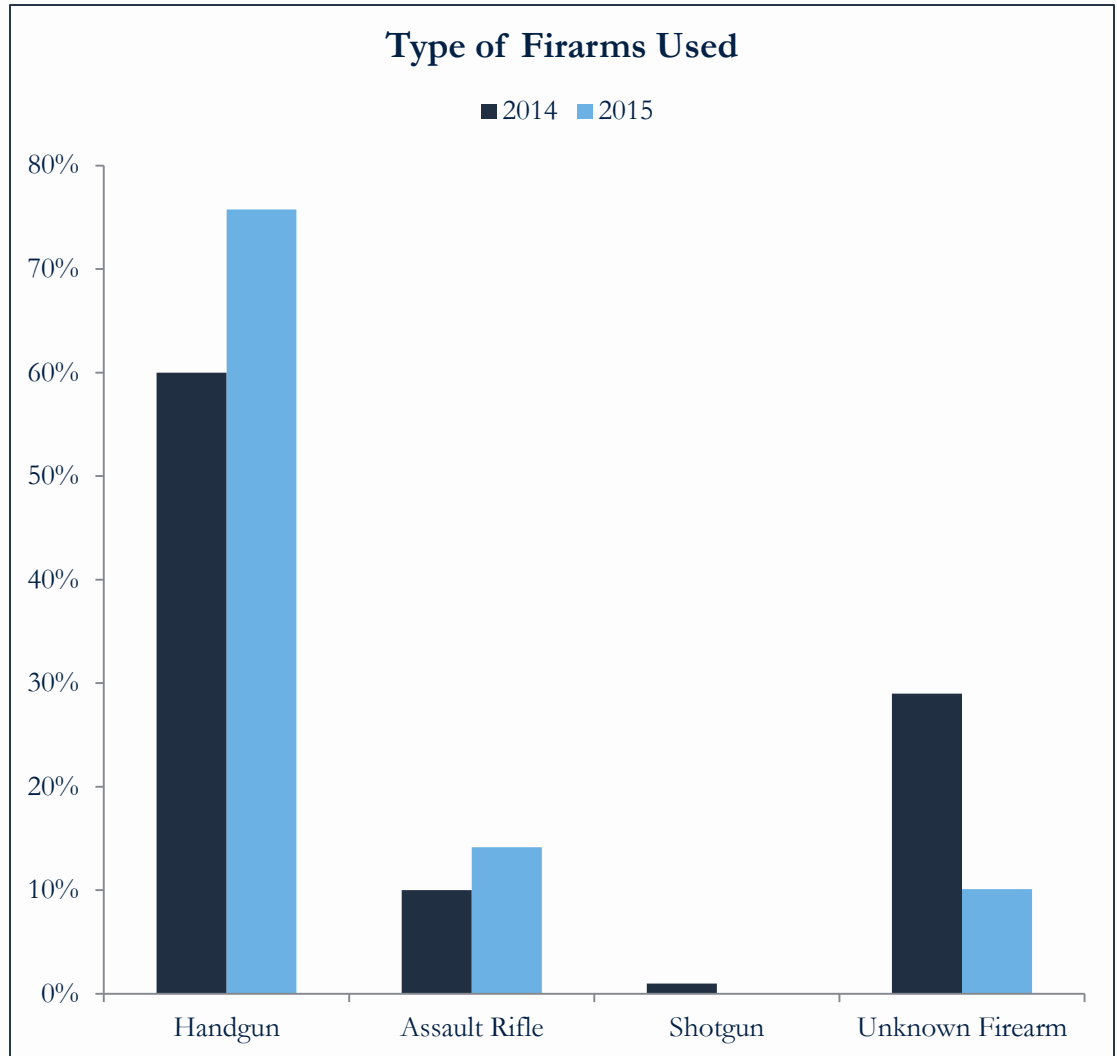


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Non-Fatal Shooting Weapons

- Similar to the 3rd Quarter in 2014, the majority of non-fatal shootings in the 3rd Quarter 2015 were committed with some type of handgun (76%)
- There was a slight increase in the use of assault rifles in non-fatal shootings (+4 percentage points) over 3rd Quarter 2014
- About 1 in 10 firearms used in a non-fatal shooting were not identified as a specific type



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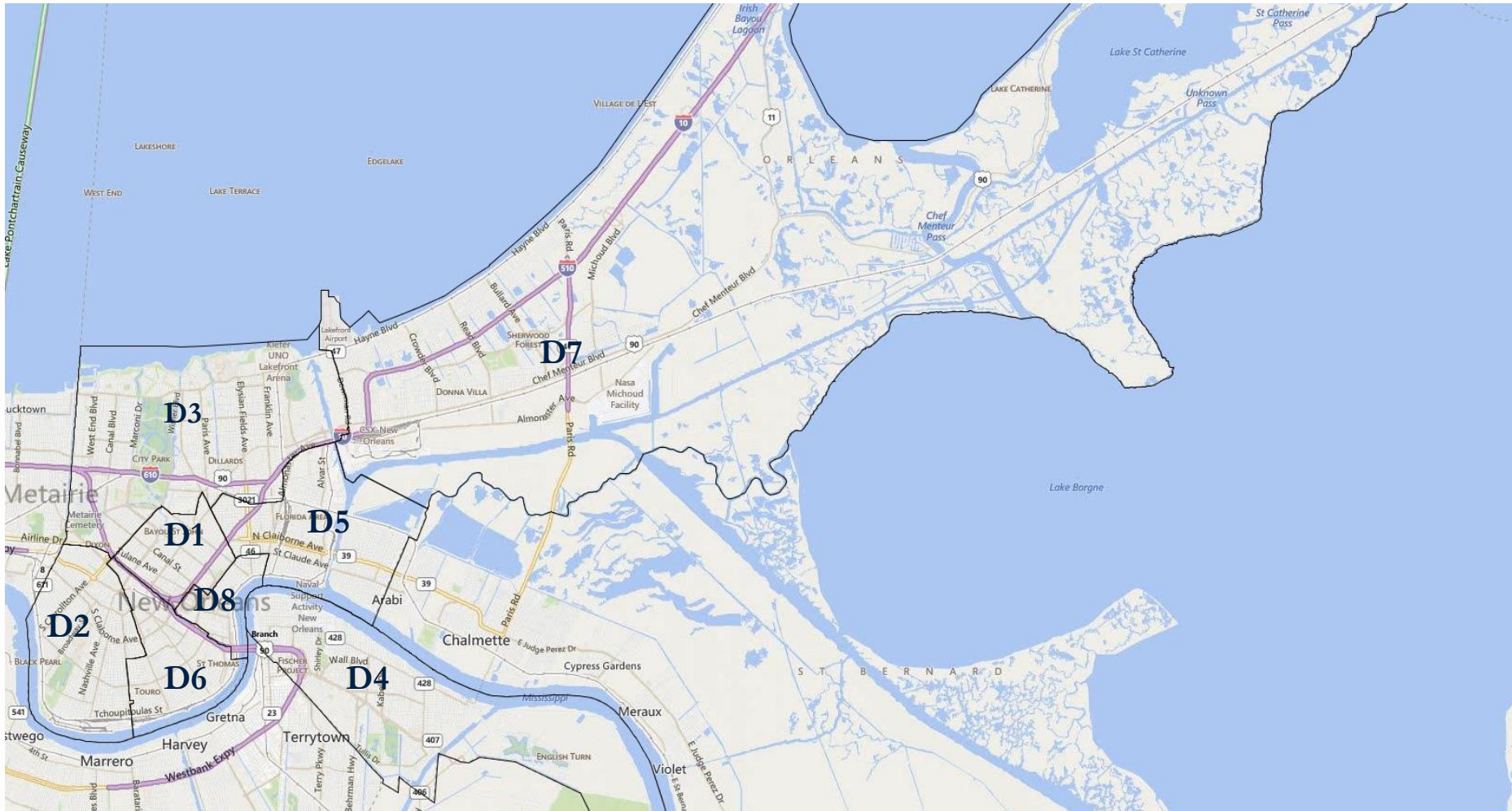
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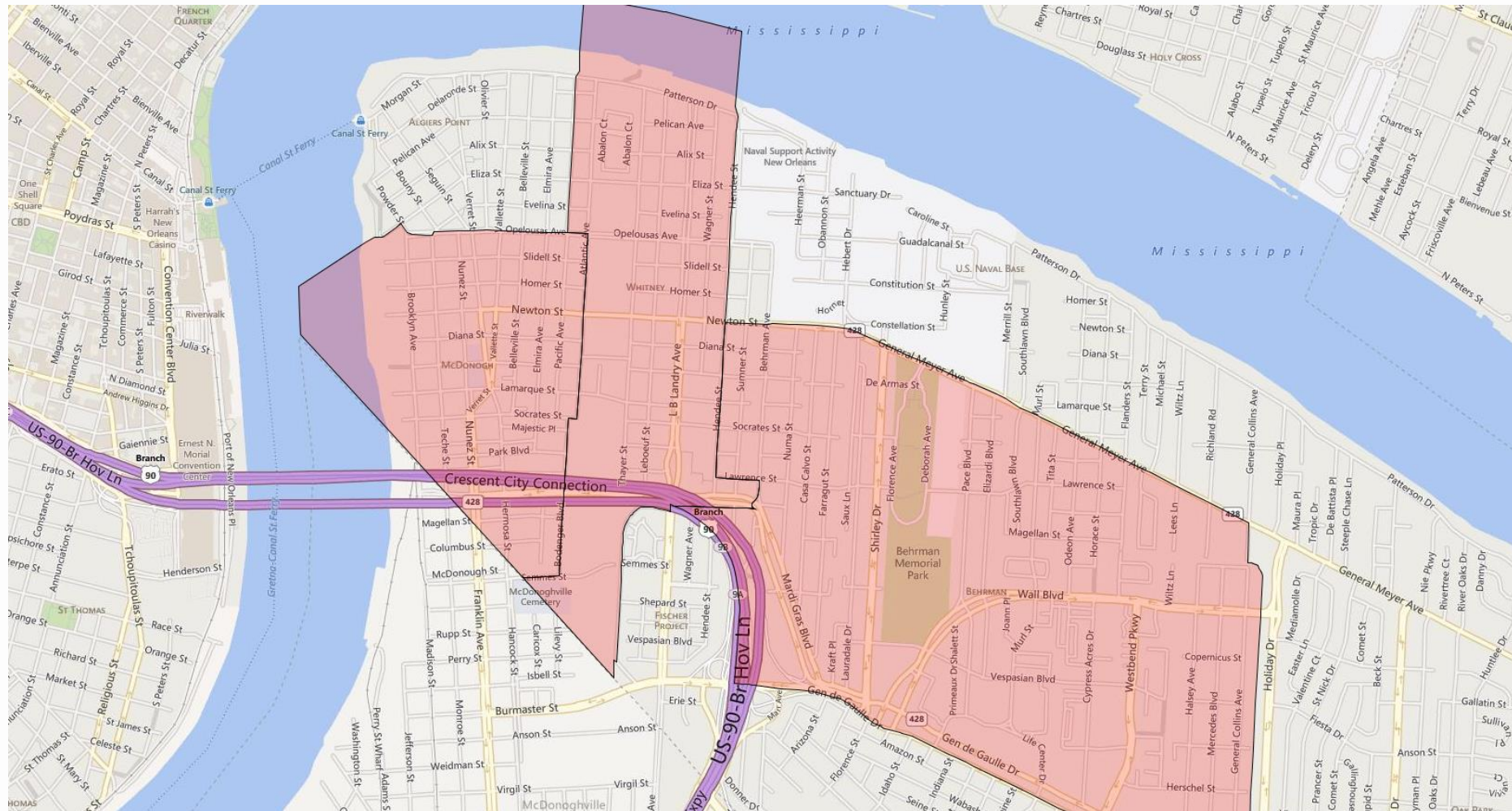
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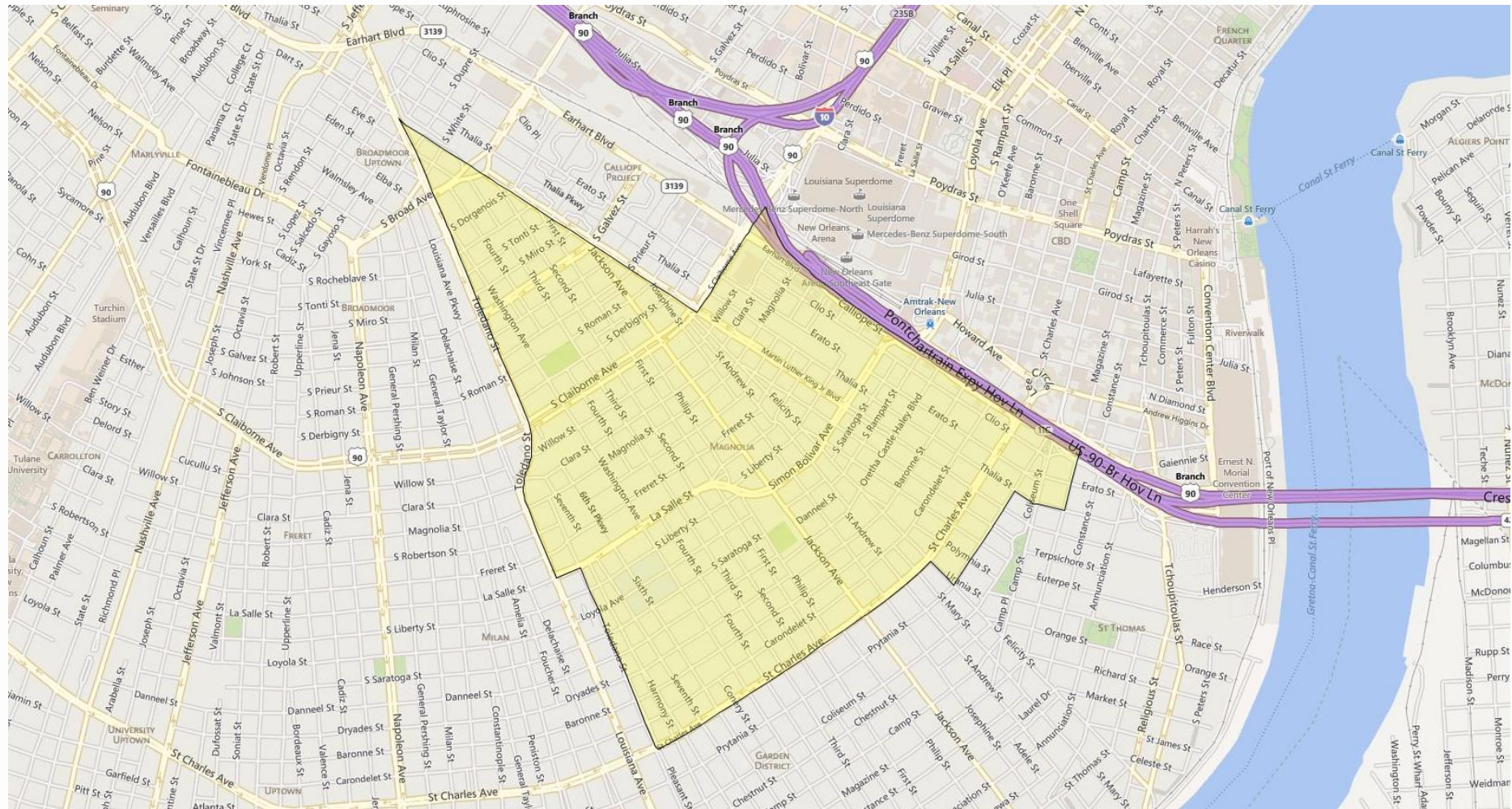
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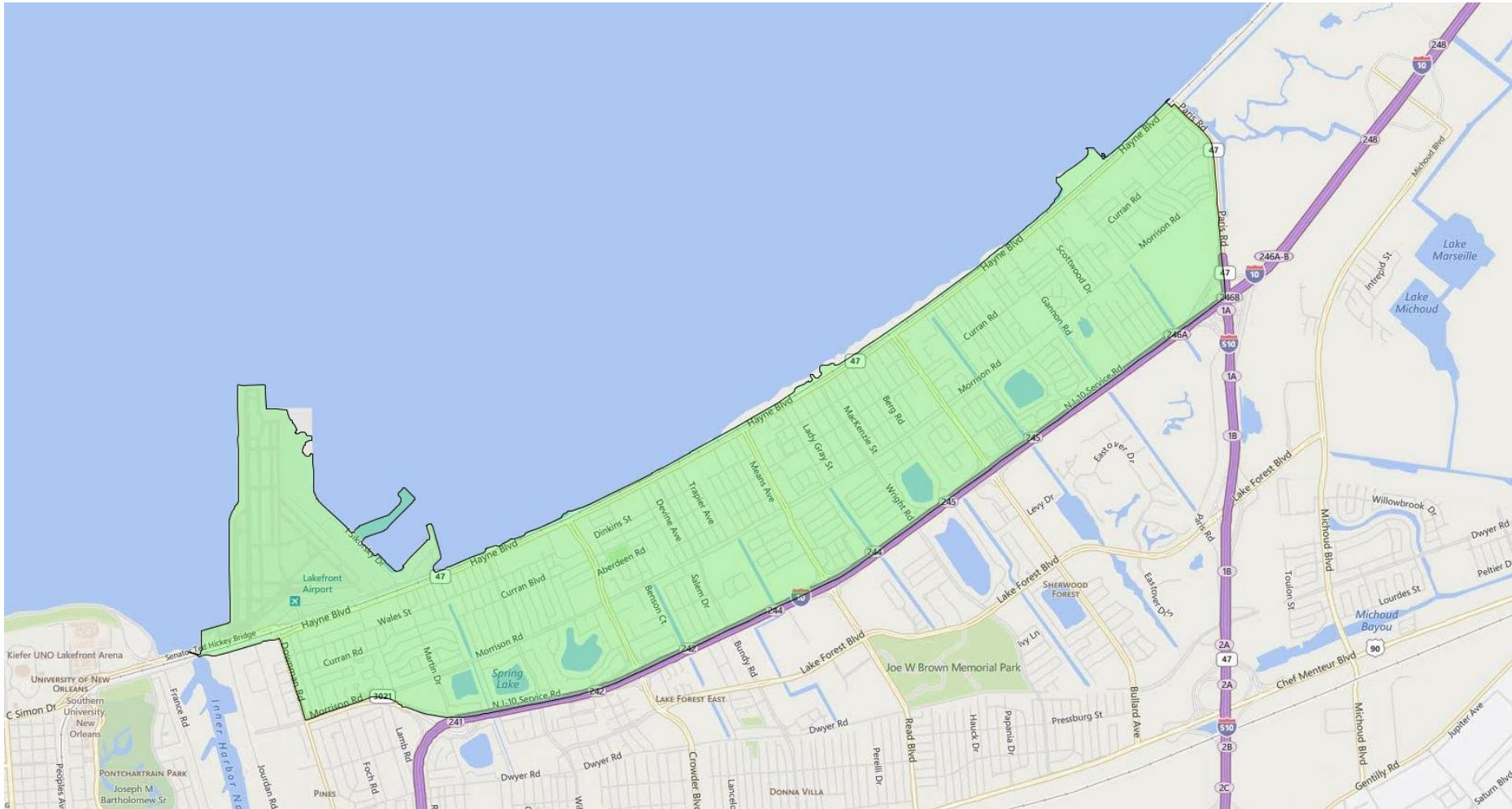
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NOLA FOR LIFE Target Area: St. Roch Area

